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# *The Longhorn*

***A Year Of***

# **CHANGES**



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*Axtell High School 1984-85*

AXTELL, TEXAS

# Take a good, long look at the public schools

Back when I was teaching, a common complaint bandied about the conference room coffee table was that no one cared what we were doing. The Legislature was too busy keeping the highways in good condition, the school administrators were too busy balancing their budgets, the parents were too busy making ends meet and the students were too busy trying to figure out who to take to the big game Friday night.

If only people would pay attention, we sighed, they would see the terrible state of our public education system and do something about it, such as give us teachers a livable wage and make their smart-mouthed kids act right. If only the people "out there" would give us a look now and then...

Well, it appears we got our wish. It used to be that the only place you could find news about teaching was in official magazines of the National Education Association and the Texas State Teachers Association.

Now, you can't pick up a newspaper or magazine, or turn on the telly without being subjected to the latest criticism of our teachers-schools-students, or criticisms of those criticisms. The front page offers us the latest musings of H. Ross Perot and Mark White's admonitions to the nay-sayers; the letters column carries the complaints of teachers on the inside and parents on the outside; the sports pages examine the latest lamentations of coaches and struggling athletes.

House Bill 72 has become a four-letter word.

So where has all this attention gotten us? Well, it's given beginning teachers a better starting salary, although that's done little for the temperaments or egos of older teachers who have been in the business for 20 years or more.

It's gotten us an appointed board of education, which will surely be as fallible as an elected board, but at least Perot is happy for the time being. Let's just hope somebody with an ax to grind against education isn't elected governor anytime soon.

It's gotten teachers' qualifications in the public eye, which has its good and bad points. As a teacher, I often wished more people knew how I had to cover for some of my less competent and less enthusiastic comrades. Weed out the chaff, I said, and let those of us who really want to be here do our job.

But as the victim of a school board member's personal vendetta and a newspaper story about a closed-door discussion of my abilities, I know that there are many teachers out there

## KEN ATKINS

Brazos Living Editor



who are going to be more fearful than ever of what they say and do in the classroom. Being right often isn't enough; it's knowing when to bend the rules and knowing who calls the shots in town. Cross the wrong people and you're liable to have a petition drive started against you.

This new-found interest in education has gotten the whole issue of educating our children out in the open. And that's the best result of all. Prayer in the schools, extracurricular activities, corporal punishment, sex education — questions that were once the interest of a few are now national news.

What lies ahead is a painful but needed cleansing of the entire system. Some good teachers, along with many bad ones, will flee from competency testing and intense public scrutiny, but most of the good ones will stay, because they love what they are doing and know they can do it well.

A few students will be lost in the process, too. Some parents, such as those who protested the showing of a film about the Waco schools, will place their children in private schools. Other well-meaning parents will take their children out of school to avoid integration, busing, bad eggs and whatever else worries them.

But the public schools will live on without them, and possibly be a little better off. Because one day many of these bothersome issues, which have cluttered the day-to-day education process anyway, will be resolved, and what will be left will be students who want to learn and teachers who want to teach.

One day, the extracurricular activities of the education debate will be made, and the basics of learning can go forward in earnest.

And in the process, taxpayers, who have started paying attention to their local schools, and our children. Which is what we wanted in the first place.

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## Educational board given federal OK

By MIKE HAILEY  
Cox News Service

AUSTIN — The U.S. Department of Justice has given final approval to the new state Board of Education created by legislators this summer to oversee major changes in the public school system, Secretary of State Myra McDaniel said Wednesday.

But while the new board was appointed last week, McDaniel said the official ballot for the Nov. 8 general election already has been certified, and the names of candidates nominated for the old board in primary elections still will appear on the ballot.

The 15-member board, appointed last week by Gov. Mark White, replaces the 27-member elected board, which was heavily criticized by the Select Committee on Public Education. The select committee, led by the old board's most vocal critic, Dallas billionaire H. Ross Perot, recommended many of the changes adopted during the summer's special session of the Legislature.

Before it could begin work, however, the new board needed the U.S. Justice Department to rule that its makeup did not dilute minority voting strength. White named three Hispanics and two blacks to the new board.

White, who is on vacation, is ex-

pected to appoint a new board next week. White aides know when the board will start its first official meeting.

Serving on the new board are Maria F. Rodriguez of Houston, Mary Ann Christensen of Houston, Devaughn Williams of Houston, San Antonio, Houston and Beaumont.

Also named are Jack Strong of Lufkin, Dawson Canning of Dawson, "Mack" Prescott of Houston, Jon Brumley of Houston, Fred Bucy of Dallas, Dr. Conrad of Dallas, Kat. Percy Raines of Cleburne and Paul Dunn of Levelland.

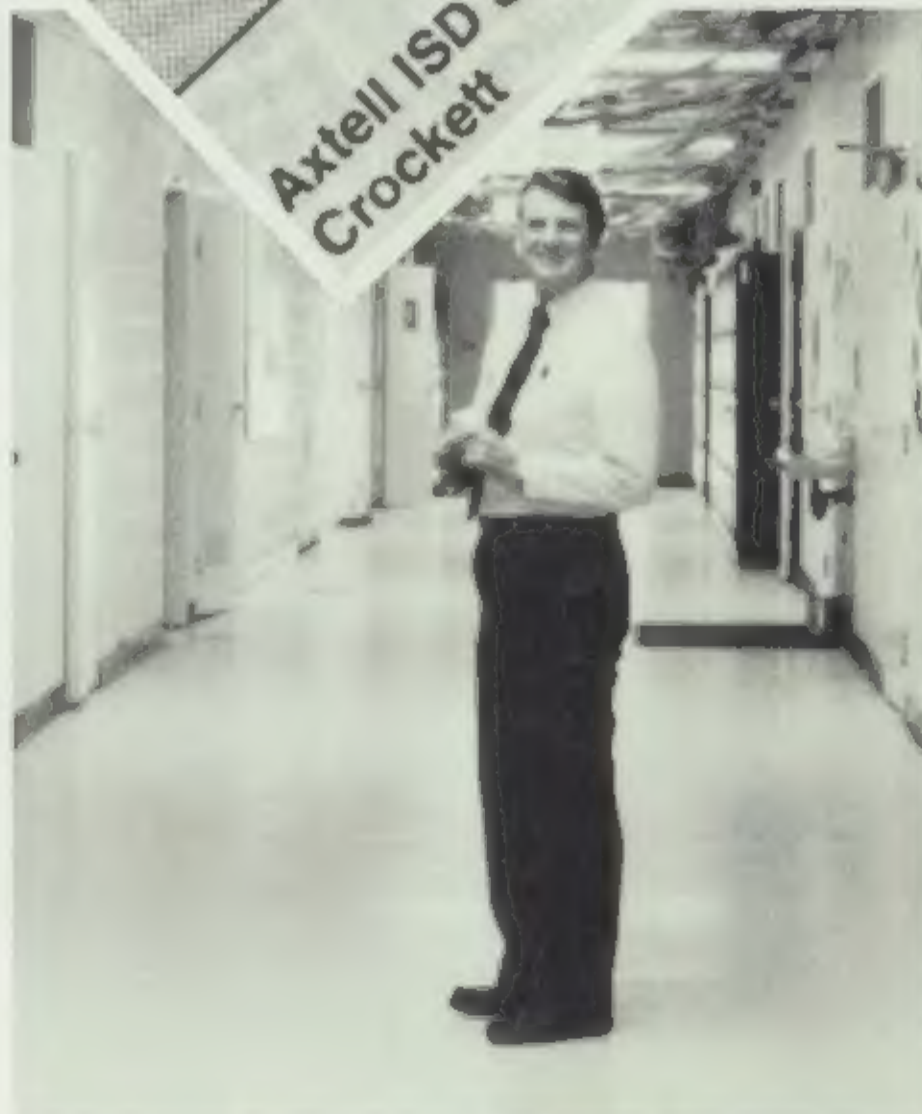
White selected the 15 members from a list of 45 submitted to him by the Legislative Education Board.

Among the public school changes are increased funding for poor school districts, a career ladder for outstanding teachers, competency tests, teacher pay raises and a requirement that students pass all courses before participating in extracurricular activities.

The board switches to a 15-member elected board in four years.



Staff Photo — Rod Aydelotte  
Axtell ISD Superintendent Bill Crockett



To the students of Axtell I.S.D.:

The school year of 1984-85 was one of change and adjustments. New rules, curriculum, and regulations were mandated by the State Board of Education. We were continually shifting and adjusting—some good, some bad, but through it all, you, the students, continued to be an inspiration to the faculty. The Seniors will be adjusting to their new lives, college, work, or trade schools. We wish them success in their chosen fields. Students returning to Axtell I.S.D. will be challenged to have as good or better year in 1985-86.

William K. Crockett  
Superintendent



One of the greatest aspects of your society is that you can, within limits, pursue your own style of happiness. You can become anything your heart and mind desires. Education, perseverance, attitude—these are the elements that can help you reach your goals. Goals are reached when there is a proportional amount of preparedness. You, the 1985 high school graduates, have the ability to fulfill those hopes for bright futures. You have the drive and motivation to succeed. I wish all of you the best of luck, the best of happiness, and the best of success.

H.B. Crews  
High School Principal



To the students and faculty, I express congratulations upon completing another productive school year. The cooperative spirit and dedication to achievement you have shown serves as a source of pride for the Axtell school and community.

To the Senior class of 1985, I can wish only the best. Be confident that your experiences at Axtell will prove beneficial in your future tasks. Be proud of your past achievements and look forward to opportunities you will encounter. Address those opportunities with the same sense of dedication to achievement that you have exhibited during your school years and you will surely succeed.

Stanley Harris  
Elementary Principal



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# *Administration*



1984-85 School Board  
Members: (seated), Harry  
Pechacek, Vernon Wood,  
Wayne Mosley; (stand-  
ing), Ronnie Martin,  
Johnny Denton.



Pauline McClain, Secretary



Ray Walter, Counselor

# Faculty

Barbara Allen  
Babetta Aziz  
Margarita Balli  
Pamela Bynum



Linda Crews  
Jean Green  
Jeannie Hambrick  
Stanley Harris



Doris Higgs



Not Pictured:  
Frank Balli  
Dorothy Blanks  
Betty Crockett  
Shirley Fields  
Charles Hambrick  
Marvin Harris



# Faculty



Jo Ellen Johnson  
Paula Kenis  
Beverly Linton  
Dabney Meeker



Dale Monsey  
Barbara Pick  
O. C. Pierce  
Janie Wiley



Susan Young



Not Pictured  
Pauline McClain  
Michele Monsey  
Shirley Wilson  
Barbara Wyatt  
Joe Wyatt





Cooks Irene Rat, Pat Lednicki, Young Judy, Joan



Bus drivers; Ms. Neugent, Howard Pedigo, Judy Banik, Becky Lothlen



Top left, Linda Legan; top center left: Nurse Pat Lednicki R.N.; bottom left center; Custodians, Shirley Dancer, Julia Findley; bottom left; Maintenance Chester Swaner



## Farney says HB 72 goes too far

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six weeks.

"If you take an athlete or student out of an activity for six weeks, you virtually destroy that season for them," Dr. Farney said. "Competition is one of the best tools for education. And we have to convince the state legislature of that same philosophy. I think we're missing some kids."

"I know no one likes to admit that some kids are just here for the competition. But that's reality. Whether it's to get the letterman jacket or just to earn the right of playing with a team. In the end, they also get an education. And that's what we're trying to do. We are trying to educate as many kids as we can without losing the quality of the education."

When Dr. Farney and Dr. Riesel tried to make suggestions for changes in the bill, they were met by a stone wall.

"One thing we found out through all this is that when you go into the office of the lieutenant governor making demands, you get kicked out," Dr. Farney said. "It seemed like they thought if we took one part of it out, then it would taint the whole deal. It was like a package project. They were saying, 'We hate to take this out, because it was recommended.' So we did get our say, but the legislature was of one mind on this."

Many people have questioned the influence of Perot on the legislators.

"We have had some complaints that Ross Perot bought everybody out," Dr. Farney said. "But I don't believe that. I believe in the representative democratic system. I think that everyone votes with their conscience."

As for a solution to the problem, Dr. Farney said he cannot lobby for a bill. He suggests that the legislature should be more open to suggestions.

The bill would require that a student who is absent from school for more than 10 days in a semester be removed from all extracurricular activities. Dr. Farney said that this is a very harsh punishment for a student who is absent for a few days. He said that he has seen students who are absent for a few days and then return to school and are able to catch up on their work. He said that he has also seen students who are absent for a few days and then return to school and are unable to catch up on their work. He said that he has seen students who are absent for a few days and then return to school and are able to catch up on their work. He said that he has also seen students who are absent for a few days and then return to school and are unable to catch up on their work.

The bill was introduced by the state education board, which is appointed by the governor rather than elected. The board has the approval of bills passed by the UIL and other educational governing bodies.

The state board recently passed a bill limiting the number of classes a student may miss in a

class for extracurricular activities to 10.

"This is probably the most concerning year we've ever had," Dr. Farney said. "You have the legislature, the state board of education, the UIL passing rules governing everything. This is the first time the legislature has dealt with the issue of the kids in extracurricular activities."

Dr. Farney, who received his doctorate degrees from the University of Texas at Austin, once served as a teacher in a high school in the Crawford and Riesel area. He said that he has seen students who are absent for a few days and then return to school and are able to catch up on their work. He said that he has also seen students who are absent for a few days and then return to school and are unable to catch up on their work.

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Some of those questions will be answered at the Texas Legislature's session in January.

"I think they'll take a look at what has happened and will try to make some adjustments," Dr. Farney said. "Even the best students fail a class. A probation period will be considered or even possibly checks on a weekly basis."

Jennifer Bennett  
Tafara Bible  
Stevie Blaha  
Michael Boyett  
Michae. Bradford



Denver Bramble  
Michale Bradett  
Bradley Cates  
Amanda Cooper  
Angela Gates



Jason Hamilton  
Jeanette Hawthorne

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Kindergarten  
Favorites  
Tammy Whiddon  
Cecil Willis

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April Horten  
John Lang



Christopher Lee  
Daniel Mansel  
Joshua Monsey  
Randy Montgomery  
Heather Moss



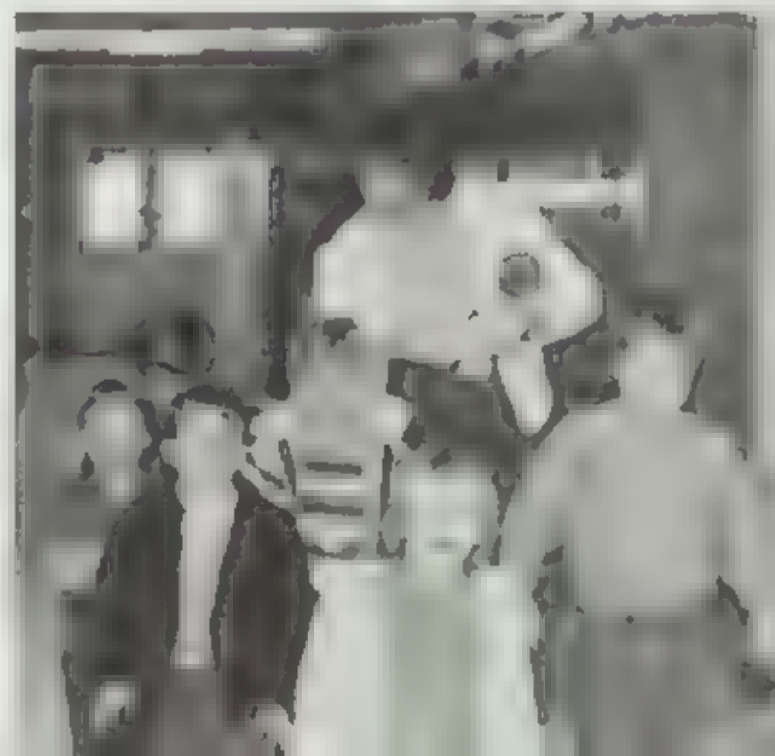
Brandon Murphy  
Kristi Orand  
Sherry Smith  
Rachel Tierce  
Tammy Whiddon



Cecil Willis

## *Kindergarten*

Kindergarten  
Jo Ellen Johnson





Haley Anderson  
David Brown  
Laura Brown  
Jennifer Butler  
Samuel Castoreno



Danae Dietiker  
Kimberly Franklin  
Douglas Hambrick  
Prinston Harrison  
Bradley Hoskins



Walter Mansel  
Kenneth Montgomery




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First Grade  
Favorites  
Sara Wiley  
Nathan Tucker




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Kristy Moore  
Toshia Ratliff



Chad Reinke  
Candice Singleton  
James Skains  
Kevin Smith  
Regina Smith



Charlene Stead  
David Stone  
Kristi Sumner  
Kevin Toten  
Nathaniel Tucker

John Vicha  
April Wells  
Sara Wiley  
Summer Womack



## *First Grade*

1st Grade Teacher  
Doris Higgs

Beth Anderson  
 Jenny Banik  
 Johnathon Barron  
 Patricia Blaha  
 Amy Boyett

Criss Cook  
 Neil Farek  
 Amy Franklin  
 Ronnie Hancock  
 Heather Hand

Mark Hawkins  
 William Hawthorne  
 Weslev Hillin

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Second Grade Favorites  
 Heather Hand  
 Johnathon Barron

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James Landfried  
 Nicolera Lapuste  
 Lucy Lawson

Eric Lindsay  
 Holly Lothlen  
 Gloria Lyon

Rebecca Mansel  
 Heath Martin  
 Jason Moore  
 Stephen Moore  
 Karen Morgan

Travis Murphy  
 Tommy Pechacek  
 Janet Singleton  
 Mary Teat  
 Christi Thorton

Christine Tilley  
 David Tucker  
 Melissa Wesley  
 Michelle Wesley  
 Brittany Willis

Ricky Witt

## *2nd Grade*

2nd Grade Teacher  
 Jean Grene





Melanie Black  
Catherine Brown  
Denise Carpenter  
Karen Curtis  
Jaran Day

Robert Dermody  
Michael Drummond  
Charels Easter  
Shawnita Eggers  
Travis Evers

Kevin Franklin  
Adrian Garcia  
Yvette Garcia

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Third Grade Favorites  
Sherry Trlica  
Michael Smith

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Keith Hudson  
Nicole Johnson  
James Lawson

Gerald Linton  
John Marek  
Alan Mathis

Shyneka Montgomery  
Kelly Moore  
Leslie Pechacek  
Jerry Peel  
Arnie Plemons

Christopher Smith  
Michael Smith  
Bobbie Tiner  
Sherry Trlica  
Jason Tucker

Mark Veselka  
Anna Warren



## *3rd Grade*

3rd Grade Teacher  
Margarita Ball.

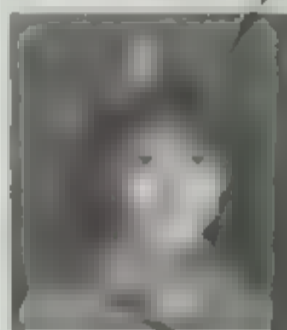
Tanya Abel  
Robert Bardin  
Christina Baudoin  
Gregory Bradford  
Juanita Cook



Jason Cornett  
Mark Crews  
Christopher Draper  
Julie Engledow  
Kevin Gholson



Malinda Gordon  
Rickay Grieger




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4th Grade  
Favorites  
Julie Engledow  
Kevin Gholson

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Trish Hahn  
Charles Hillaman

Nicole Hogan  
Courtney Lehrmann  
Donald Marek  
Wayne May  
Jennifer Moffert



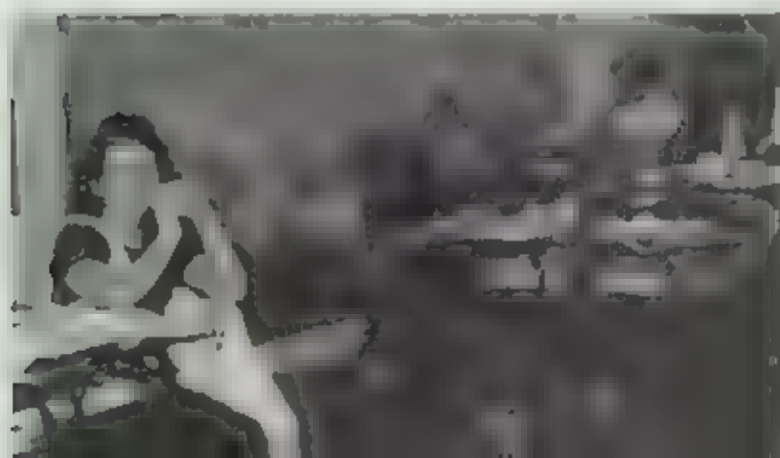
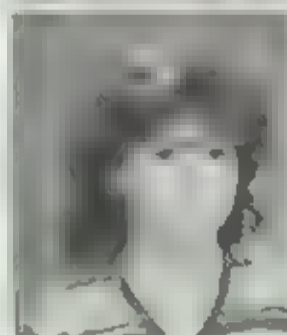
Chantel Neill  
Christina Pechacek  
Linda Peevey  
Charles Plemons  
George Silmon



Tracy Tidmore  
Kurt Wilson

### *4th Grade*

4th Grade  
Teacher  
Paula Kinnas





Robert Allen  
Jennifer Barron  
Donna Bernier  
Candice Boveri  
John Bramlett  
Andrea Brown

Gordon Coble  
Yolanda Dancer  
Elizabeth Franklin  
Marcus Gordon  
Christopher Harrison  
Mindy Hawkins

Rebecca Helms  
Brandy Hiltaman  
Sallie Hillin

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#### 5th Grade

##### Favorites

Dena Ratliff  
John Bramlett

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Joe Hollingsworth  
David Keeton  
Melissa Littleton

Travis Niles  
Donna Peeves  
Dena Ratliff  
Yolanda Ratliff  
James Roscher  
Amanda Sellers

Danny Skains  
Angela Simon  
Brandi Tiner  
John Trussel  
Tisha Tucker  
Israel Veselka

Kenneth Willis  
Not Pictured  
Tyke Dunnam  
Frederick Keefer

#### 5th Grade

5th Grade Teacher  
D.B. Meeker





## School 'reforms' will be disaster

To the Editor

In spite of weighty opinion to the contrary we believe the special session on education will prove to be a disaster. Both liberals and conservatives in both the Democratic and Republican conventions adopted resolutions to retain the elected state board of education. It is estimated over 200,000 calls and letters were received during the session and over 90 percent favored the elected board.

But Gov. Mark White's steamroller took control of the Texas schools in spite of the people's expressed wishes. The governor now controls, through his own appointments, the \$19 billion state budget

In the same session, the bill provides for even more socialization of the schools and thereby the power of the local state board is stripped of its powers to direct the districts. Parents are stripped of authority over their own children.

We now spend more on each child in public education than enough to run the finest private school in the world. Yet, Mark White has crammed even a greater burden down our throats.

The one silver lining in this mess is that many parents are waking up to see the public school situation. It is the best thing that has happened for the public school movement in a long time.

Paul Cox  
Waco

### WANT TO WRITE?

The *Tribune-Herald* uses this and the opposite page to present a wide range of opinions on current topics. Syndicated materials do not necessarily reflect the views of this newspaper; our opinions are presented under the heading "Editorials."

What's your view? We invite you to write a letter to the editor at Box 1100, Waco, Texas 76703. Only signed letters — preferably fewer than 100 words — can be published. Please include a telephone number.



One of the few Waco Schools (Sixth Grade Center). The new air conditioning makes

Richard Auth  
 Aaron Bal.  
 Brandon Bates  
 Danielle Brock  
 Charles Brown  
 Glen Brown  
 Christina Buckner  
 Albert Cruz  
 Chrysti Calverhouse  
 Susan Day  
 Rodney Evans  
 Amy Evers

William Gholson  
 Bobby Grieger  
 Amy Hilaman

6th Grade Favorites  
 Patty Wilas  
 Ronnie Niswanger

Tammy Hilaman  
 Crystal Hood  
 Douglas Meadows  
 Wesley Mikulec  
 Latricia Montgomery  
 Teresa Montgomery  
 Stacy Moore  
 John Moraver  
 Ronald Niswanger  
 John Pechacek  
 Jerry Pittman  
 Troy Reinke  
 James Rogers  
 Stacey Smith  
 Anne Marie Tidmore  
 John Underwood  
 Rex Van Dewater  
 Joyce Veselka  
 Steven Vicha  
 Loretta Watts  
 Patty Wilas



## SIXTH GRADE





Robert Brown  
 Rachel Chapman  
 James Dermody  
 Bryan Eggers  
 James Engledow  
 Mindy Farek  
 Christy Fisher  
 Charlie Fox  
 Robert Frost  
 Dana Harris  
 Shellie Haber  
 Ashley Lehrmann  
 Bradley Luedke  
 Troy Martin  
 Brenda Montgomery

7th Grade Favorites  
 Christy Fisher  
 Troy Martin

Rachel Moravec  
 Arthur Mosley  
 Christina Niswanger

Jennifer Phelps  
 Joey Pickens  
 Johnnie Pickens  
 Lisa Renfro  
 Ricky Roberts  
 Jimmy Rogers  
 Scott Shilling  
 Billy Shilling  
 Cartrina Smith  
 Richard Sutherland  
 Robert Warren  
 Lisa Web

Laura Wiley  
 Carol Wilson  
 Michael Voss

## SEVENTH GRADE



Jade Abbott  
 Bryan Blanks  
 Elizabeth Brock  
 Rhonda Brock  
 LaShanva Brown  
 Larry Carpenter

Kevin Curtis  
 Dawn Davis  
 Shelly Denton  
 Ronnie Fedro  
 Tracy Fisher  
 Alisha Friends

Anthony Garcia  
 Bradley Gordon  
 David Helms  
 Stephen Helms  
 Stacy Hogan  
 Jana Holland

Kevin Hollingsworth  
 Kelly Hurst

Favorites  
 Ronnie Fedro  
 Rosalyn Mitchell

Kelley Jones  
 Billy Keeter

Timmy Keeter  
 Tammy Knowlton  
 Sandra Lester  
 Rachel Lile  
 Rosalyn Mitchell  
 Debra Montgomery  
 Missy Morgan  
 Thomas Niles  
 Laurie Peevey  
 Jimmy Pittman  
 Charlotte Smith  
 Robert Spencer  
 James Spiares  
 Brian Sumner  
 Kathy Thun  
 Margie Trlica  
 Dena Tucker  
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 Jennifer Vicha  
 Christy Wells  
 Mike Wilson



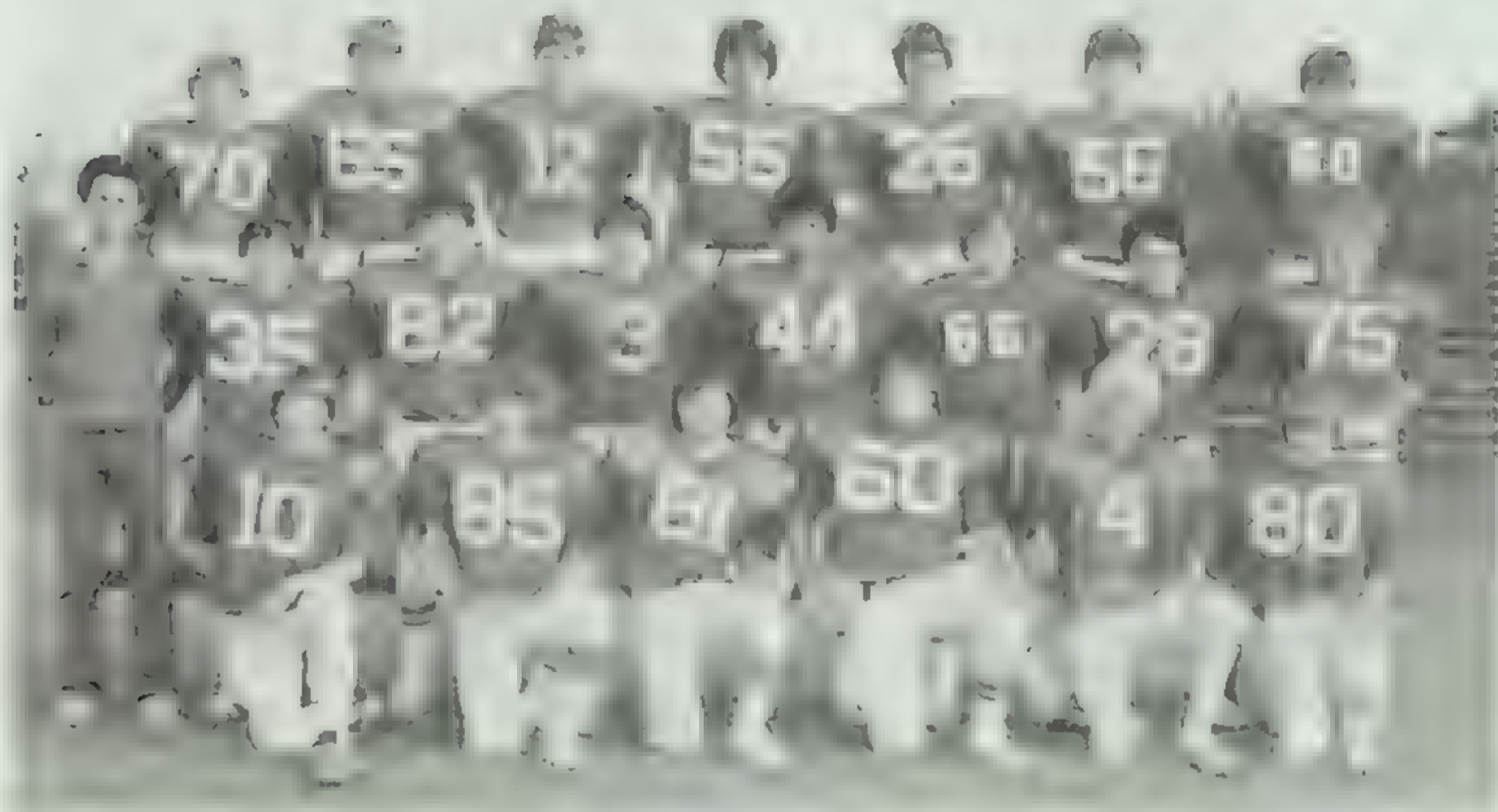
*Eighth  
 Grade*

# *Junior High Cheerleaders*

Kathy Thun  
Shelly Denton  
Jennifer Vicha  
Missy Morgan  
Kelley Jones



## Junior High Sports

[illegible]

Coaches: Frank Ball and O.C. Pierce



Girls A Team—Standing: Miss Morgan, Wendy Seaton, Tracy Isner, Kathy Thun, Coach Babette Aziz. Kneeling: Rachel Luby, Alisha Friends, Dena Tucker, Jennifer Vicha.



Girls B Team—Standing: Rebecca Meyer, Amy Smith, Christina Niswanger, Christy Fisher. Kneeling: Jana Holland, Catrina Smith.



Boys A Team—Standing: Kevin Hollingsworth, Ronnie Fedro, Anthony Garcia, Kevin Curtis, Brian Sumner, Larry Carpenter, Brad Gordon, David Helms. Kneeling: Mike Wilson, Coach O.C. Pierce, Kyle Tucker.

Boys B Team—Standing: James Dermody, Robert Brown, Joey Pickens, Glen Brown, Brad Luedke, Johnny Pickens, Kyle Gholson, Troy Martin. Kneeling: Batch Mosely, Dana Harris, Robert Frost, Scott Schilling, Ray Rogers, Ronnie Niswanger.



# Junior High Girls and Boys Track

BOYS TRACK



Top Row—Brad Luedke, Adam Cramer, Brian Blanks, Larry Carpenter, Matt Rasmussen, Ben Rowland, James Engstrom, Kyle Peterson, David Helms, Robert Frost  
Bottom Row—Coach O'Paine



Top Row—Dana Tucker, Shelly Denton, Kathy Thun, Jennifer Vicha, Rachel Lilly  
Middle Row—Christina Niswanger, Sandra Lester, Missy Morgan, Jane Abbott, Christy Wells, Jane Holland  
Last Row—Lisa Renfro, Ashley Lettman, Christi Fisher, Catrina Smith, Tammy Knowlton, Brenda Montgomery, Coach Barbara Aziz

# Junior High Officers and Representatives

## 6th Grade

Pres. John Underwood, Sec. Crystal Hood, Treas. Stacy Moore, Rep. Patty Willis, Vice Pres. Steven Vicha, Rep. Justin Newberry



## 7th Grade

Pres. Troy Martin, Vice Pres. Robert Frost, Sec. Ashley Lehmann, Treas. Shellie Huber, Reps. Richie Sutherland, Angie Murray



## 8th Grade

Pres. Ryan Martin, Vice Pres. Ryan West, Sec. Ryan West, Treas. Ryan West, Reps. Ryan West, Ryan West, Ryan West





## Best advice is to urge all students to pass all subjects all of the time

The recent special session of the Texas Legislature directed a lion's share of attention to extracurricular programs in our public schools. Fueled by the reform movement in education and recommendations by the S.C.O.P.E. Committee, this special session produced new law which requires a student to pass all his/her courses in order to participate in extracurricular activities.

Beginning in January 1985, a student who in the previous grade-reporting period receives a grade lower than the equivalent of 70 on a scale of 100 in any academic class shall be ineligible to participate during the next grade-reporting period. The campus principal may remove this restriction if the class is an identified honors or advanced class, and mentally retarded students are exempt from the requirement to pass all subjects.

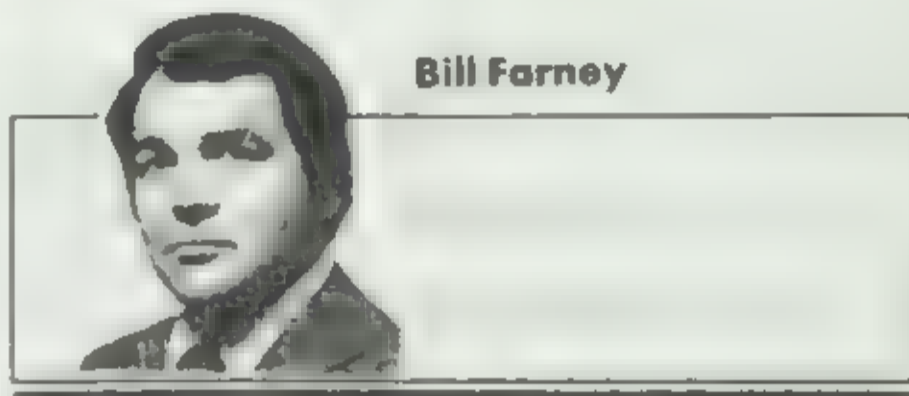
A student may not be suspended from participation under this new law during the period in which the school is recessed for the summer or during the initial grade reporting period of a regular school term on the basis of grades received in the final grade-reporting period of the preceding school term.

The League office has received many inquiries about the interpretation of the new law. Our staff does not have the authority to give opinions or to interpret laws passed by the Legislature. Even though many schools are anxious to know situation rulings and interpretations, we will all have to wait until later in the school year — hopefully in early autumn — to get more definitive clarifications.

In the meantime, a student, in order to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities during the fall, must have passed at least three (3) credits in two (2) separate courses in the spring semester. In addition to the previous semester requirement, a student must pass four (4) credits during this fall semester. In addition to the previous semester requirement, a student must pass four (4) credits during this fall semester.

EXAMPLE. A student must pass four (4) credits in at least three (3) separate courses in order to participate in extracurricular activities during the fall semester. This requirement goes into effect requiring

A student who did not pass at least two (2) separate courses would not be eligible to compete in extracurricular activities on the first class day of the second semester.



Bill Farney

time the new State law would require that student to have passed all his/her courses the previous grade-reporting period in order to be eligible.

The best advice to all activity sponsors, coaches, and administrators is to encourage all students to pass all subjects at all times. Even though the League rules specify a (minimum) number of courses one must pass in order to be eligible, it would be to everyone's best interest to pass all subjects at all times. We are all creatures of habit. As soon as we develop the habits of passing all courses, we can cope with the new standards.

What the Legislature in January passed to the new rules. Several schools will seek legislation to change academic standards dependent on convincing evidence of accepting the new rules.

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*Mr. & Miss  
Senior*

*Russell McMahon  
&  
Ronette Niswanger*

*Friendliest*

*Darin Dietiker  
&  
Ronette Niswanger*



# *Most Likely To Succeed*

*Ronette Nisunanger, Guy Cremonese, Tami Pechacek*





## *Best All Around*

*Guy Cremonese*

*&*

*Ronette Niswanger*



## *Most Athletic*

*Keith Dancer*

*&*

*Ronette Niswanger*



# *Wittiest*

*Keith Dancer, Cindy Tindell, Guy Cremonese, Daun Glidenell*





*Homecoming Queen*  
*Ronette Niswanger*

*Best Citizen*

*Tami Pechacek*



# ***Educators applaud decision***

By BETTY JOHNSON  
Tribune-Herald Staff Writer

School officials say students aren't searched very often in local high schools, but they still applaud the U.S. Supreme Court's decision expanding the public schools' right to search students.

In a 6-3 decision Tuesday, the court said teachers and other school officials need to meet the "reasonable suspicion" or "probable cause" test before conducting a search.



# 1984-85 Varsity Cheerleaders

The 1984-85 Varsity cheerleading squad consisted of (clockwise from top left) Toni Cremonese, Ronette Niswanger, Sherry Bennett, Brenda Blanks, Shannon McKee, and Donna Ratliff.

Every year seems to be a little better, but I must say that this one was definitely it! This year we attended cheer camp at the Learning Tree in Temple. The girls made me very proud as I saw them become a unit which worked well together. During camp, they won many awards, including Superior ribbons and the Spirit Stick. Needless to say, our trip was a happy one. The year proceeded smoothly, especially during the football season, and, before we knew it, the year was over. All that remains are memories of hard work, joy, disappointment, and PRIDE.

Thank you, Varsity, for a great year and great memories.

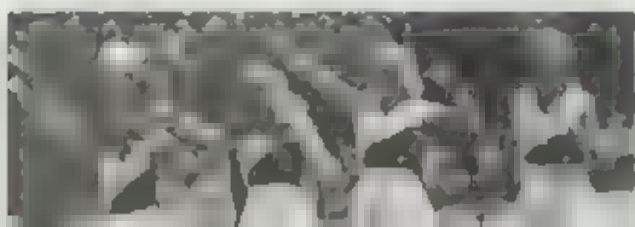
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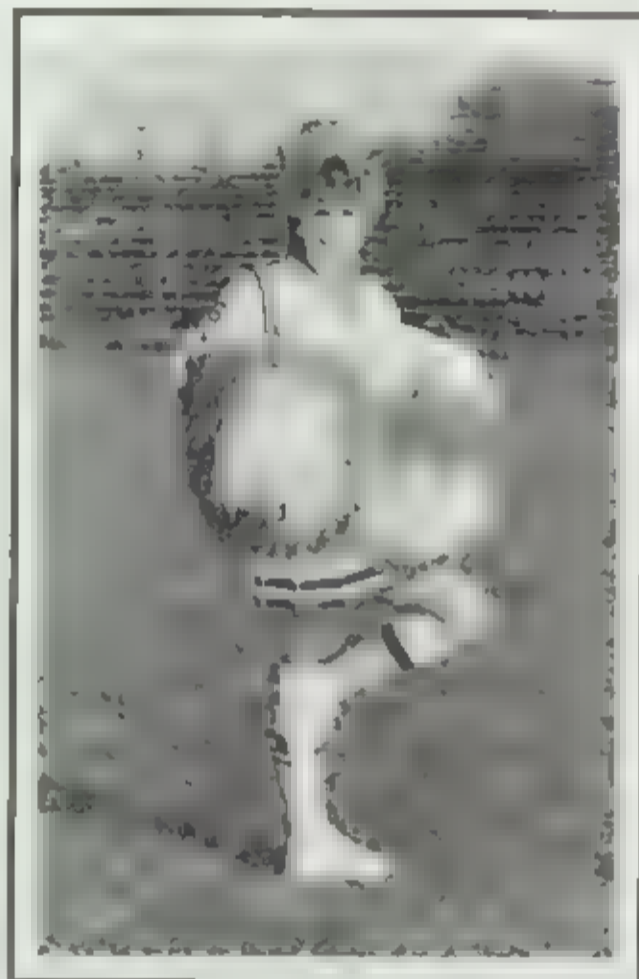
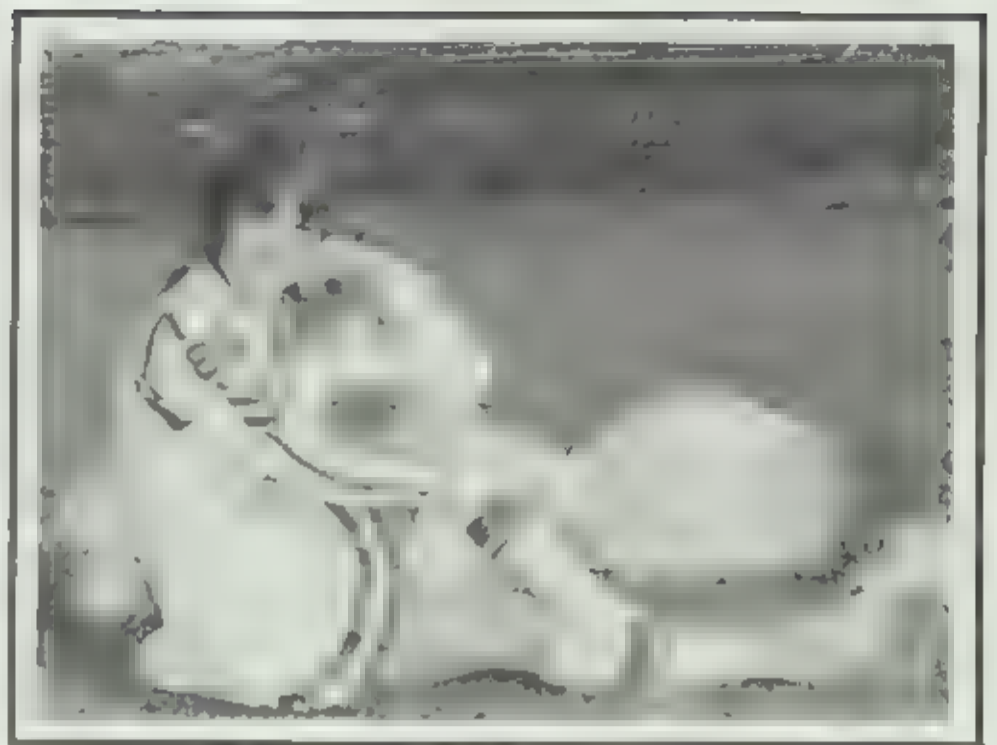


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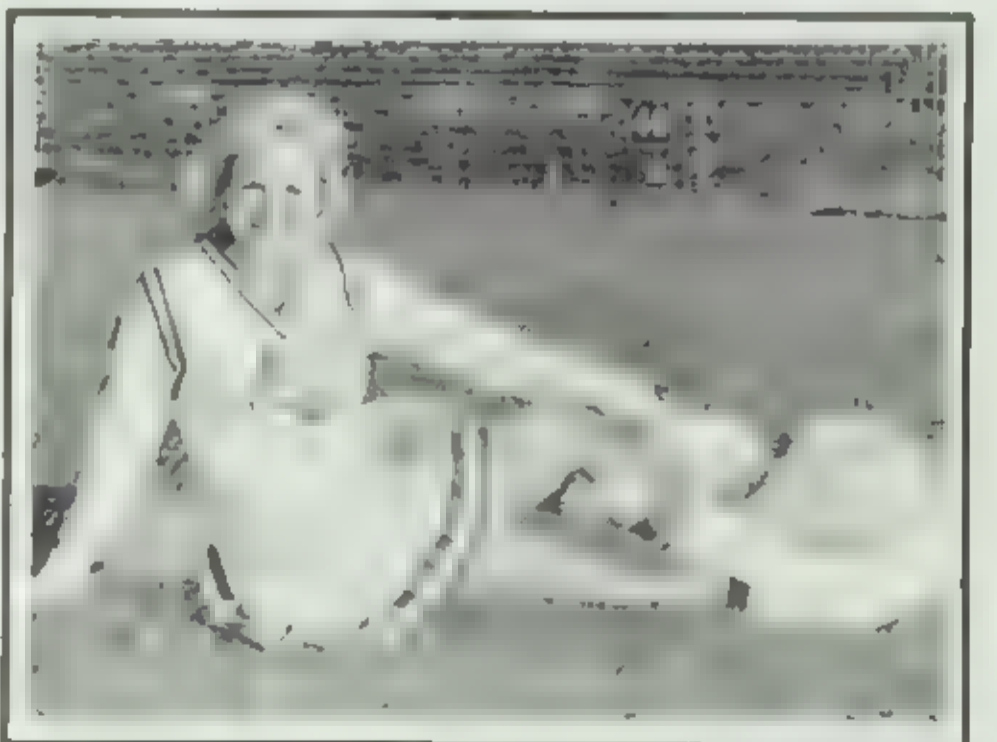
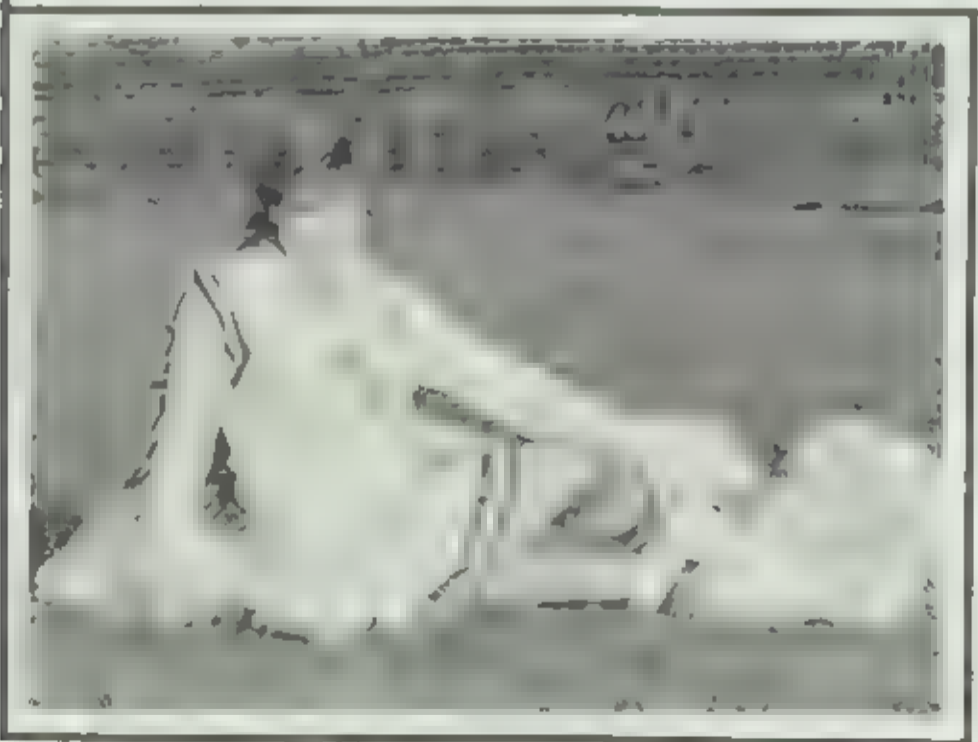


Sherry Niswanger





The Varsity cheerleaders were (top left) Sherri Bennett, Senior; (top right) Ronette Niswanger, Senior; (middle left) Brenda Blanks, Junior; (middle right) Toni Cremonese, Junior; (bottom left) Shannon McKee, Sophomore; and, (bottom right) Donna Ratliff, Freshman



Varsity Pep Club Members. Top Row—Kathy Olsen, Rose Thomas, Terri Krawczyk, Gwen Ryan. Bottom Row—Brenda Luedtke, Krystal Linton.

It was a pleasure to sponsor the 1984-85 J.V. Cheerleaders. They attended an N.C.A. Clinic at Texas Lutheran College. They also did well, receiving several superior ribbons. All the girls worked hard and truly deserve to be called leaders of the school.

J.V. Cheerleaders: Krystal Stanford, Shannon Vicha, Wendy Bressland.





*Spirit of Homecoming!*



Band Sweetheart and Beat  
Jill Holland and Burl Hays



Drum Majors  
Rita Kuehl and Mike Hancock



The Axtell Longhorn Band has a terrific 1984-85 year. Practice started in late August for the entire band and they continued to work very hard throughout the year. The marching band proved how well it could display the pride of the students and community of Axtell. Rita Kuehl and Mike Hancock led the band onto the field every Friday night as drum majors. Our majorette Rhonda Renfro and our Flag Corps added sparkle to our half-time performances. In December the band participated in the Jay-Cees Waco Parade. That same month everyone enjoyed the band's Christmas Concert. Several students participated in UIL solo-ensemble contest at Troy, Academy, Jr. High and High School UIL at M.C.C. and brought home several ones. Several students in District Band Burl Hays will go to Texas State UIL solo-contest in June. The band participated in the Band Concert UIL Contest in Ennis. The contest consisted of playing three prepared tunes and sight reading. The year ended with a Spring Concert in May and a fun-filled band trip to New Braunfels.



# Flag Corps and Twirler



I would like to express my thanks to each member of the 1984-85 Flag Corps for her dedication and hard work. These girls became very competitive as the year progressed, as shown in high marks during Flag Corps competition.

They were exceptional in their ability to work as a group. They also made each pep rally and football game a special performance. It was a pleasure to work with this group of young ladies. Janie Wiley

Left: Rhonda Renfro

Below: Top row Tommie Stranacher, Melissa Huber, Sheila Griffin. Bottom row Gina Roberts, Rhonda Reiman, Cindy Lindell



Jade Abbott  
Flute



Larry Adams  
Clarinet



Wendy Bree  
Saxophone



LaShanya Brown  
Clarinet



Steve Childress  
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Stacy Daniels  
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Shelly Denton  
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Bryan Eggers  
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Kelly Jones  
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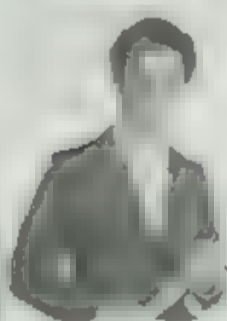
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Billy Shilling  
Saxophone



Catrina Smith  
Clarinet



Tommie Stranacher  
Saxophone



Brian Sumner  
Trumpet



Richie Suther  
Trumpet

Mindy Ferek  
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Charlie Fox  
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Robert Frost  
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Connie Gartman  
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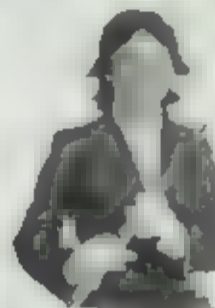
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Keaty Hurst  
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Ashley Lehrmann  
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Rachel Lih  
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Rosalyn Mitchell  
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Dena Tucker  
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James Underwood  
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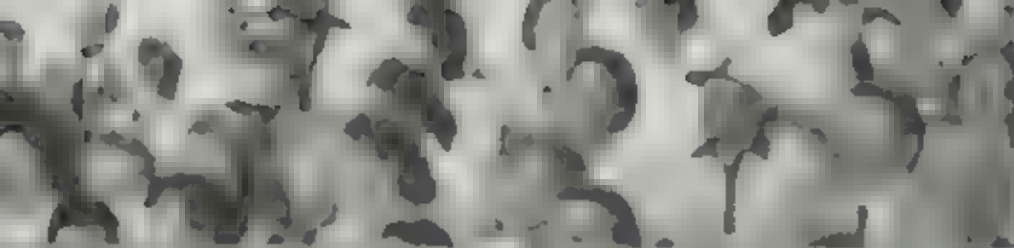
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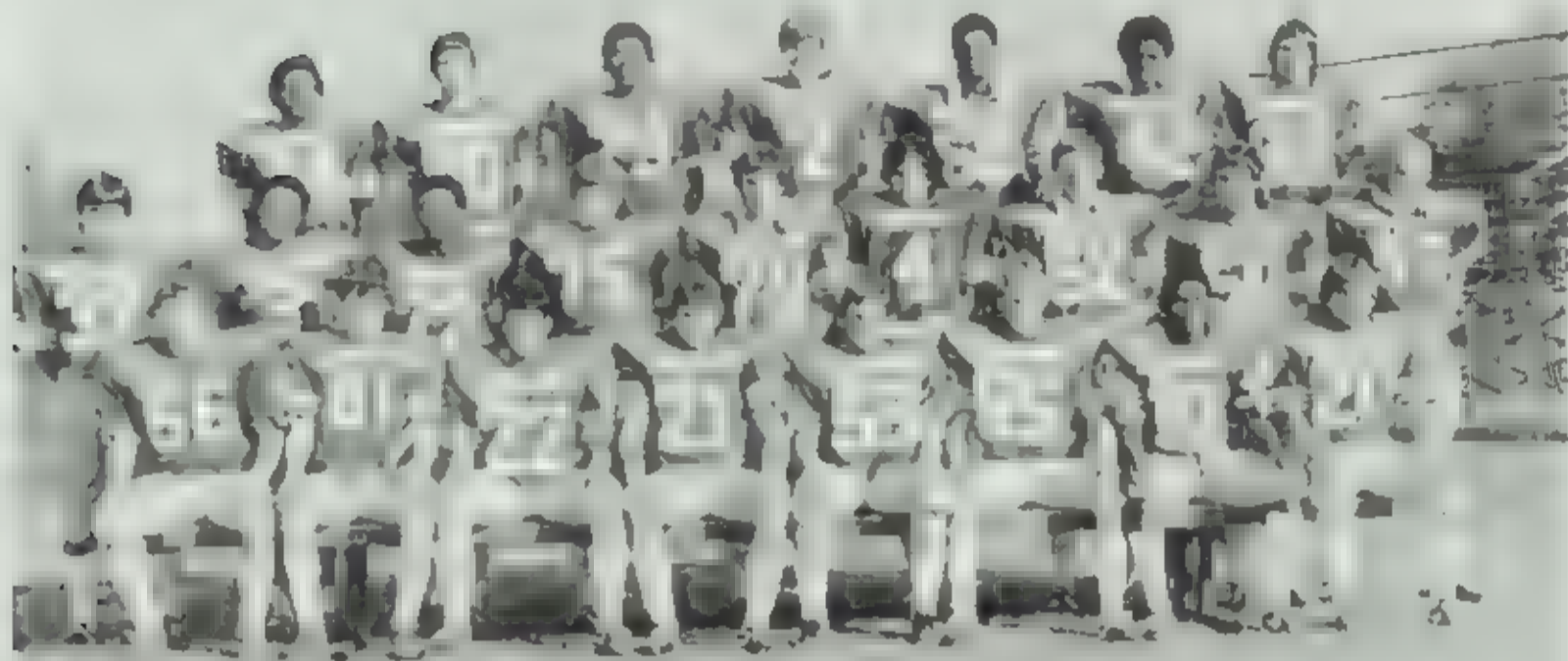
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# Longhorn Football 1984-85



The 1984-85 Varsity football team consisted of (left to right) top row—R. Hawthorne, C. Wells, R. Hawthorne, B. Hand, D. Hawthorne, M. Benson, B. Baker, Middle row—B. Magalassi, K. Dancer, B. Thompson, J. Lyon, S. Bays, B. Beets, R. Cates, M. Necessary, J. Chidress, Bottom row—G. Cremonese, T. Riehl, S. Kuehl, M. Fullou, T. Pechacek, D. Dietker, W. Harrison, K. Bradford.



The assistant coaches were O.C. Pierce, Dale Monsey, and Frank Baker.



The managers were Chris Cornett and Shane White.



Hobby Baker, Sr./Split End

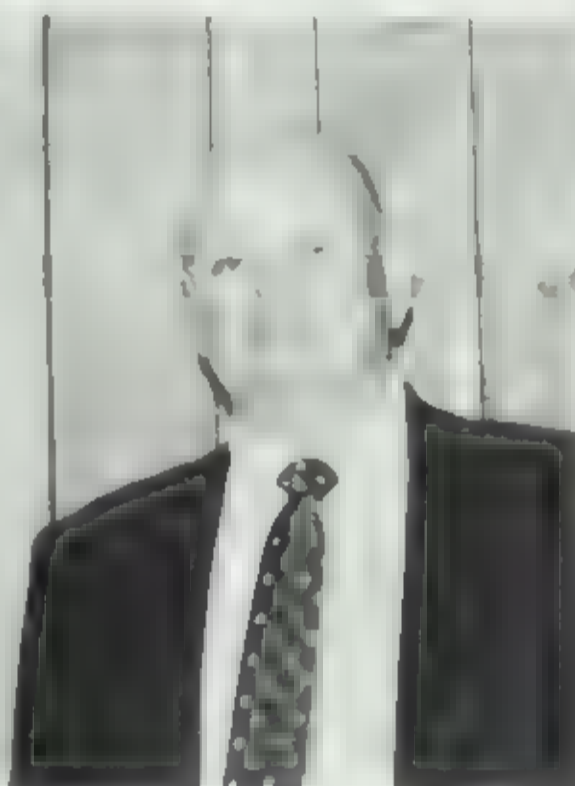
# Scores

Riesel	6	Axtell	34
Bruceville-Eddy	8		56
Valley Mills	0		33
Wortham	8		54
Dawson	6		47
*Academy	16		14
*Rogers	34		27
*Lorena	6		20
*Troy	2		0
*Moody	28		14

\* denotes district games



Jim Childress, Sr./Guard



Head Coach Joe Wyatt



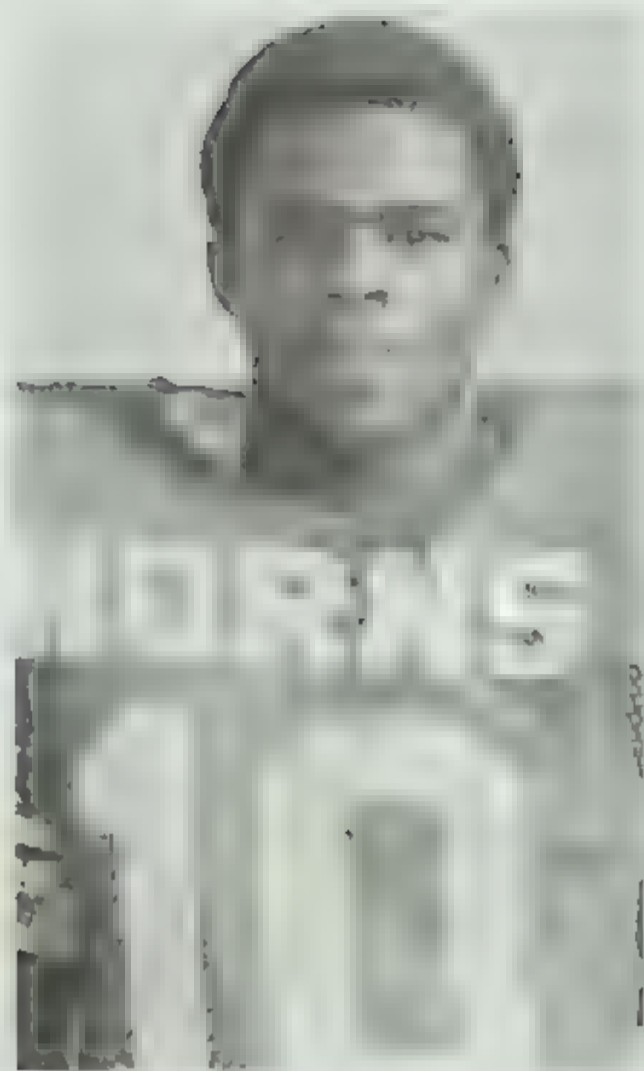
Guy Cremonese, Sr /Guard

Riesel, 34-6

The Longhorns started the season off with a victory over the Riesel Indians. The score was only 7-6 at halftime, but the Horns came back in the second half and scored 27 points

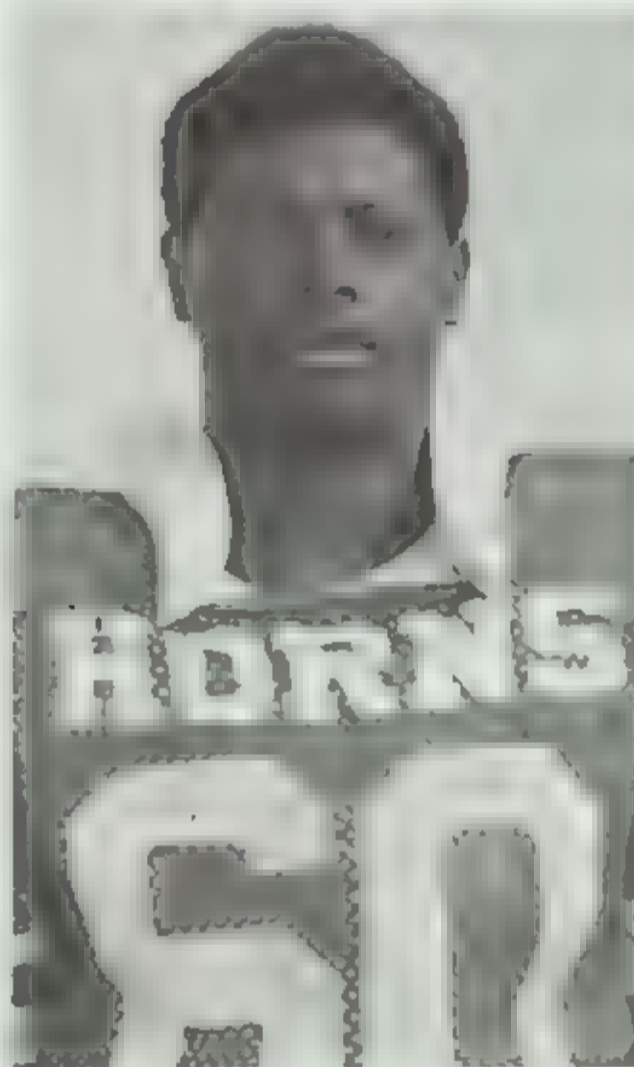


Keith Dancer, Sr /Tailback



William Jefferson, Sr./Tackle

Bruceville—Eddy 56-8  
The Longhorns opened the scoring early in the game by scoring on their first three possessions. They rolled up a 34-0 lead at halftime, then coasted along to a 56-8 victory for two in a row.



Danny Hawthorne, Sr./Tackle



Robert Hawthorne, Sr./Tackle

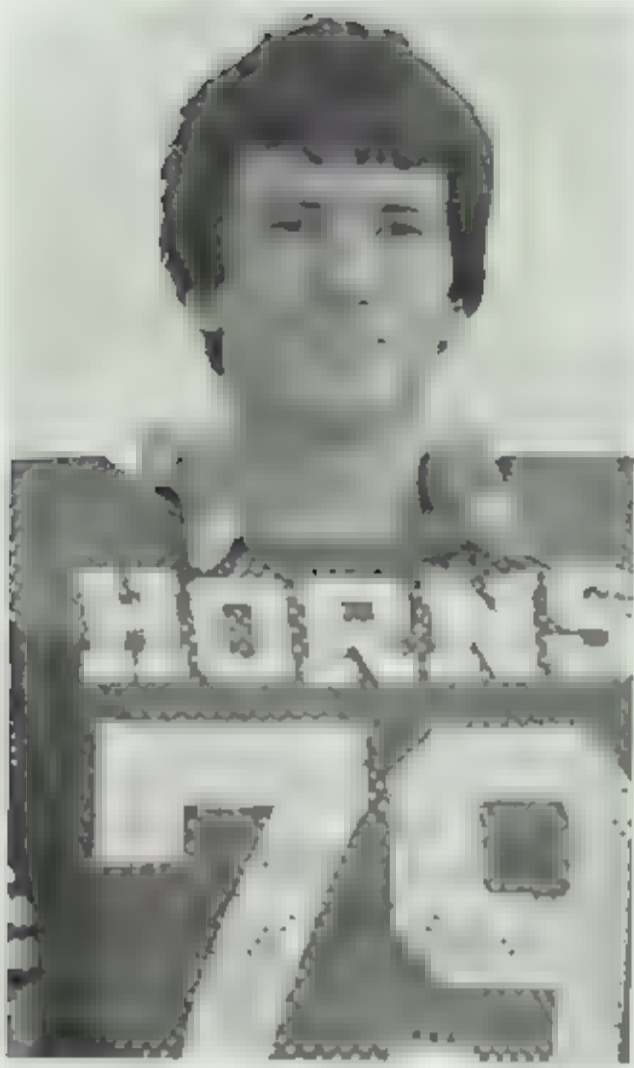


Mark Necessary, Sr./Center

Valley Mills 33-0  
The Longhorns played the first eight games in the mud and rain. It was raining when the game started, but again the Horns scored on their first three possessions. They had a 25-0 lead at halftime and went on to win 33-0.



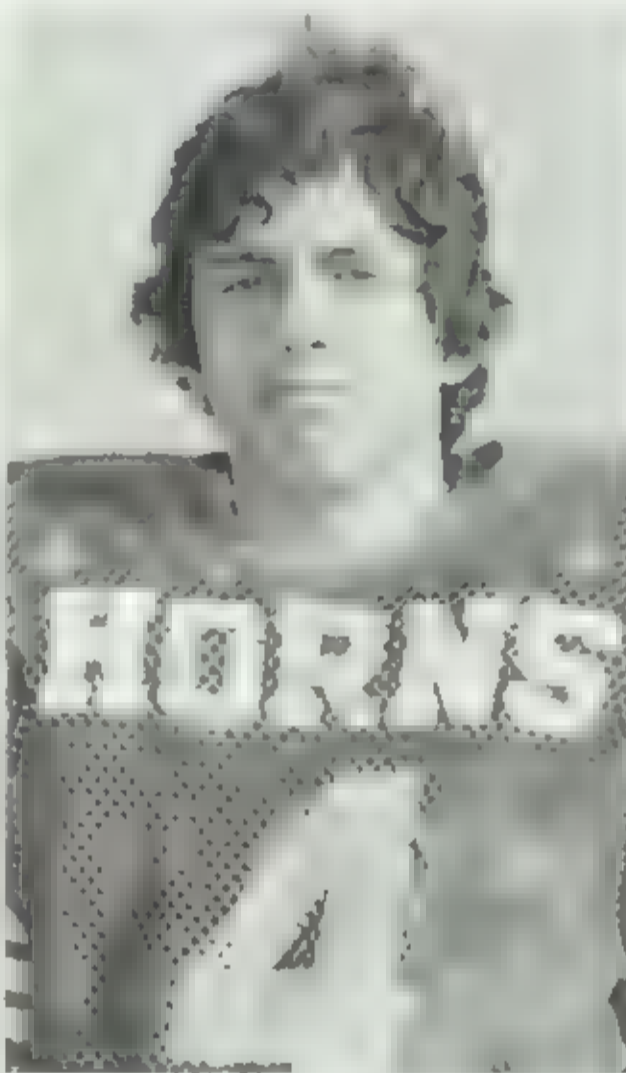
Michael Frillou, Jr./Flanker



Scooter Bays, Soph./Defensive End

Wortham: 54-8

The Longhorns finally got to play at home and won with an impressive 54-8 score. It was raining, but the mud didn't hamper the Horns. This was their fourth victory, and it was well deserved



Bruce Beets, Soph./Quarterback



Mike Butler, Soph. Linebacker



Kyle Bradford, Soph./Flanker

Dawson: 47-6

The Horns' last non-district game was with the Dawson Bulldogs. Although it had again rained all week, it became the Horn's fifth straight win. Early on, they jumped to a 14-0 lead and later scored 33 additional points to win 47-6



Rusty Cates, Soph./Linebacker



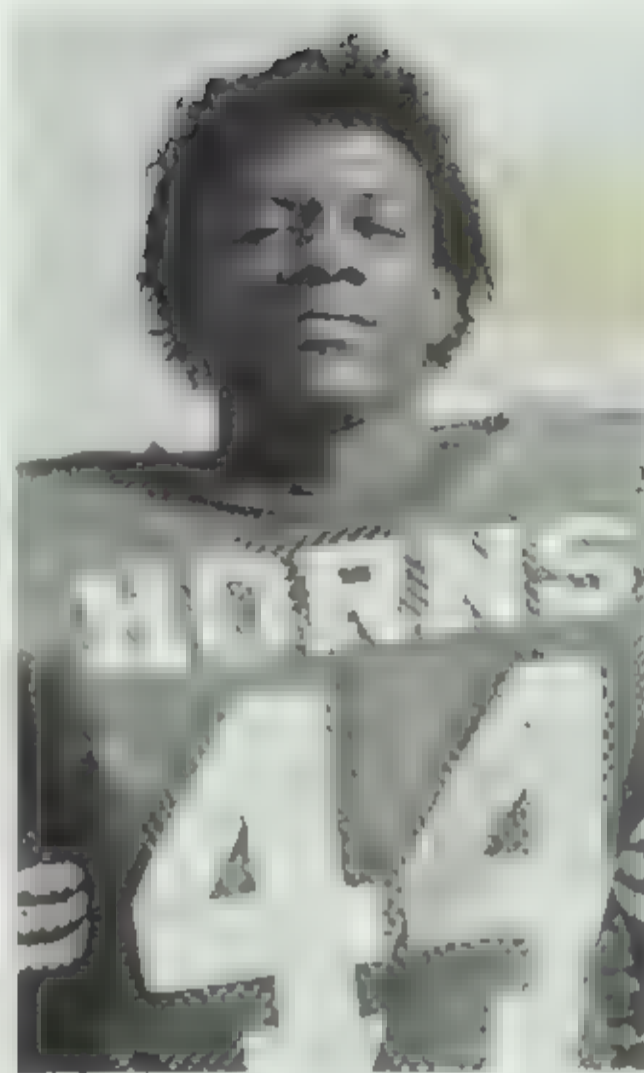
Dan Decker, Soph. Guard

#### Academy: 14-16

The Longhorns' lost their first game of the season to Academy with a score of 14-16. Academy was ahead at halftime and later scored a field goal, bringing their score to 16 points. The Longhorns scored only once before the time expired to end the game with a two point difference



Brian Hand, Soph./Tight End



Roger Howland, Soph. Def. Line



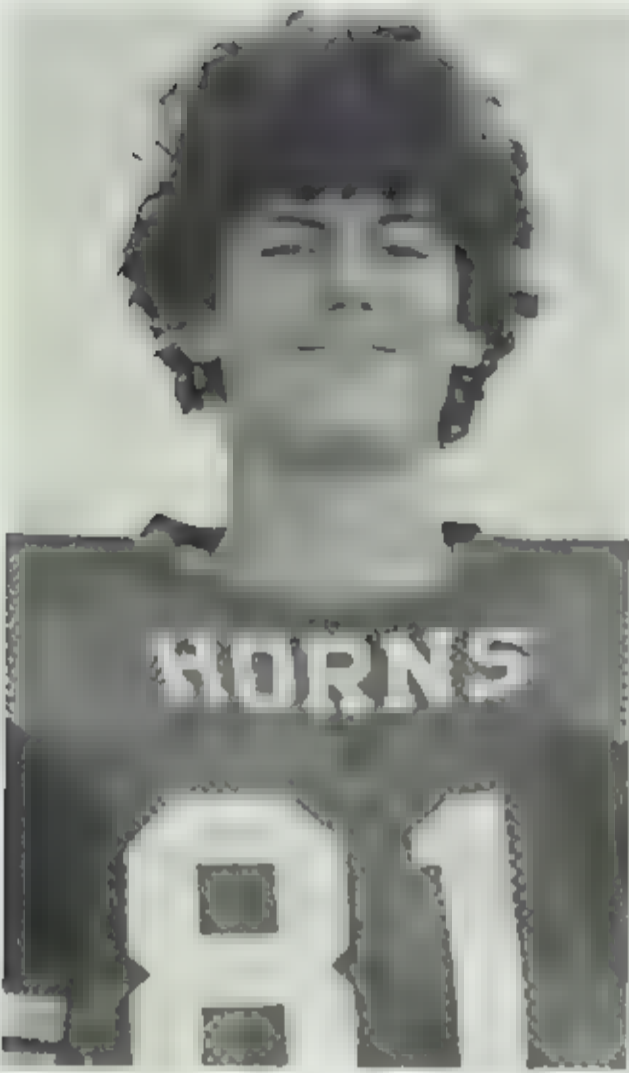
Brian Magalassi, Soph./Tight End

#### Rogers: 27-34

In the Longhorns' second district game, they lost an offensive battle. The Horns put up a fight, and the game see-sawed back and forth until the last few minutes when Rogers scored the winning touchdown.



Tim Pechacek, Soph./Guard



Tim Riehl, Soph./Tight End

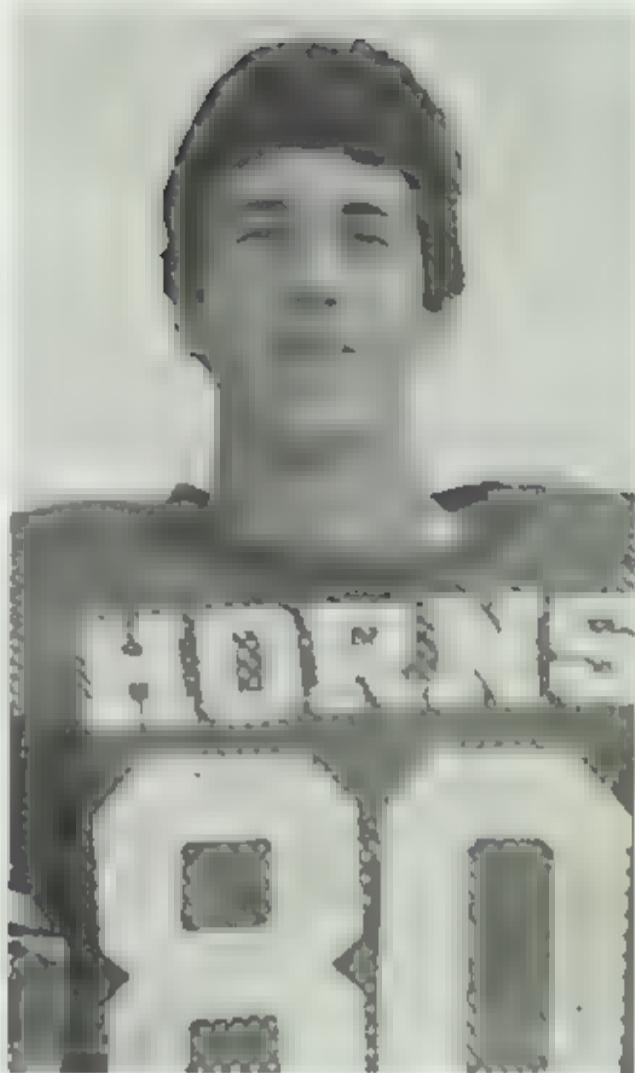
Lorena, 20-6  
 Axtell won their only district game with a 20-6 victory over the Lorena Leopards. Once again in the mud, The Horns scored easily and dominated the game.



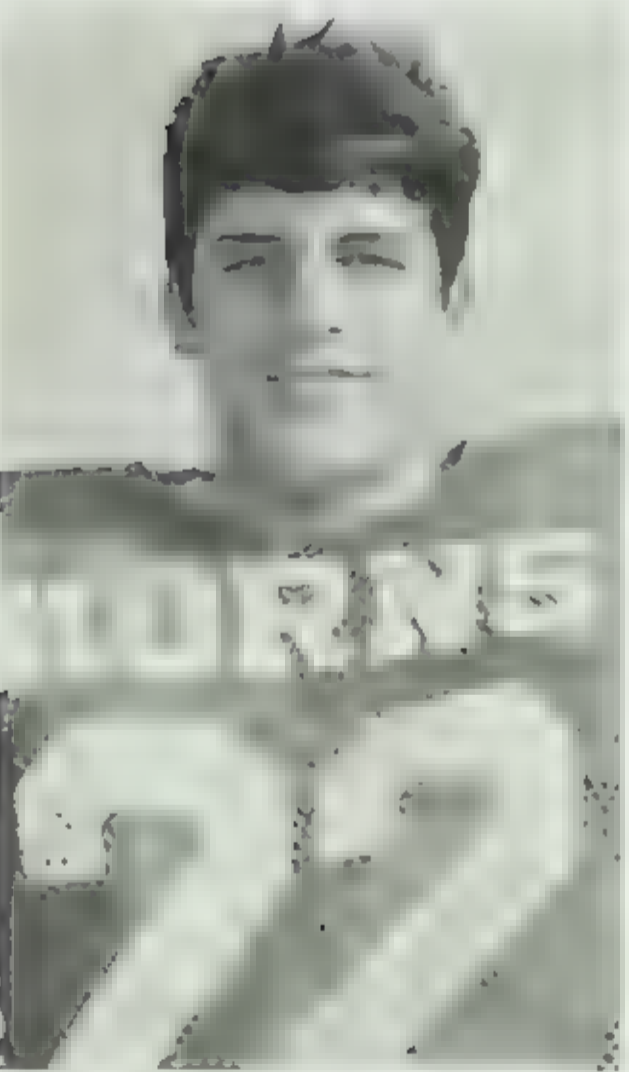
Bradley Thompson, Soph./Linebacker

Troy: 2-0  
 In a defensive battle, the Troy Trojans got a safety early on and held on to win 2-0. The field was like a marsh from the rain, and neither team was able to put together an offensive threat.

Moody: 14-28  
 In the last game of the season, Moody scored two touchdowns in the fourth quarter to win with a score of 14-28. The Longhorns ended the season with a record of six wins and four losses.



Cody Wells, Soph./Tight End



Sloan Kuehl, Fresh./Tailback

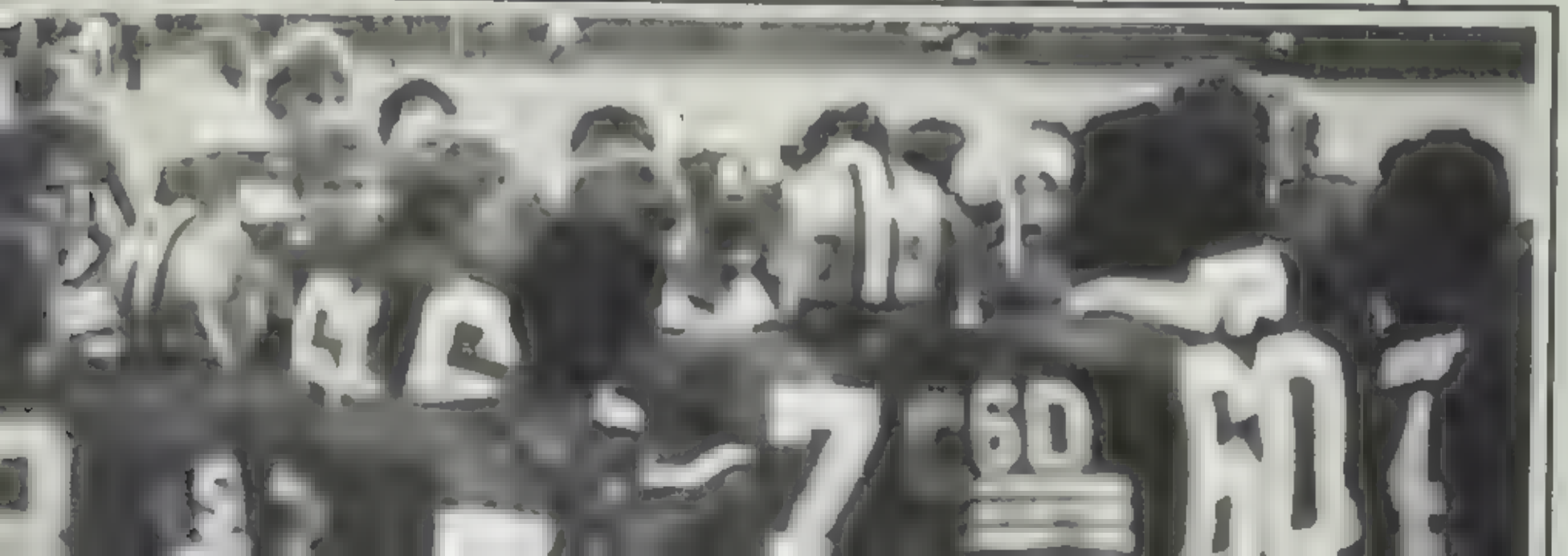
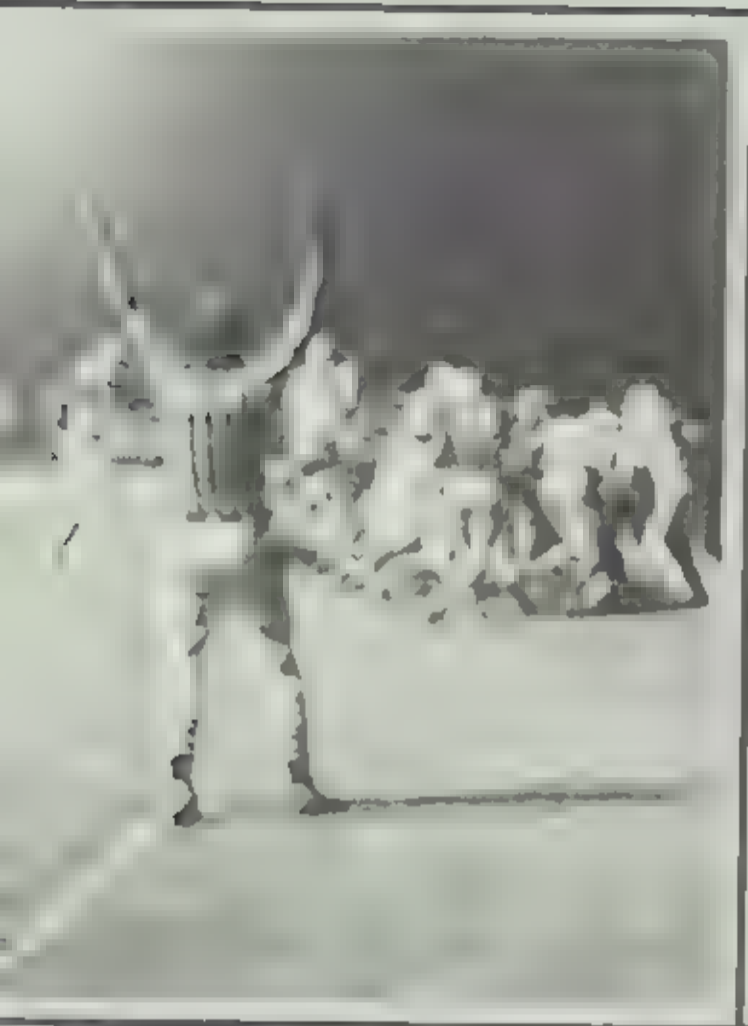


Jeff Lyon, Fresh./Tackle



# *Football Fun*

## '84



# Boys Varsity Basketball

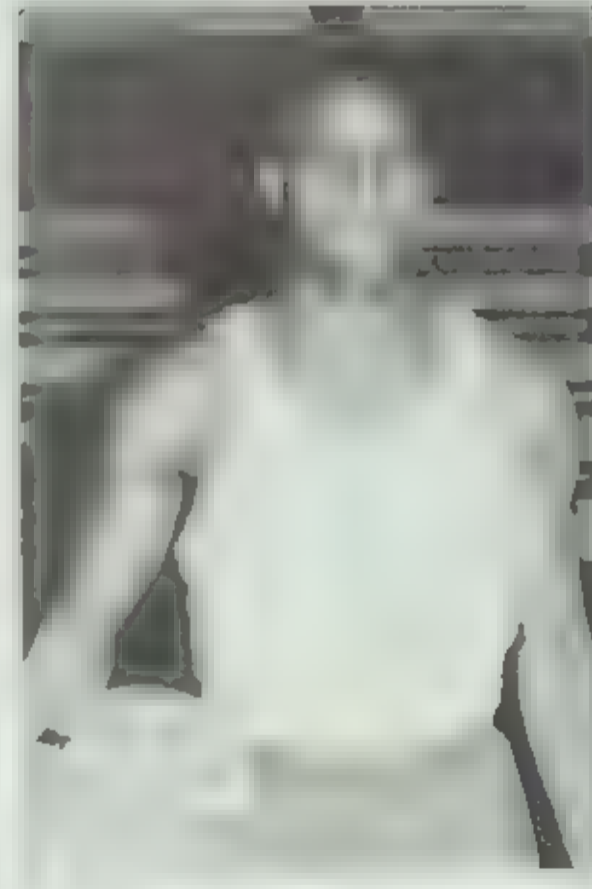
Keith Dancer, William Harrison, Michael Frielou, Scooter Bays, Danny Hawthorne, Brian Hand, Cory Wells, Michael Benson, Brad Thompson, Kyle Bradford, Coach Dale Monser.



Keith Dancer  
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Danny Hawthorne  
Senior



William Harrison  
Senior

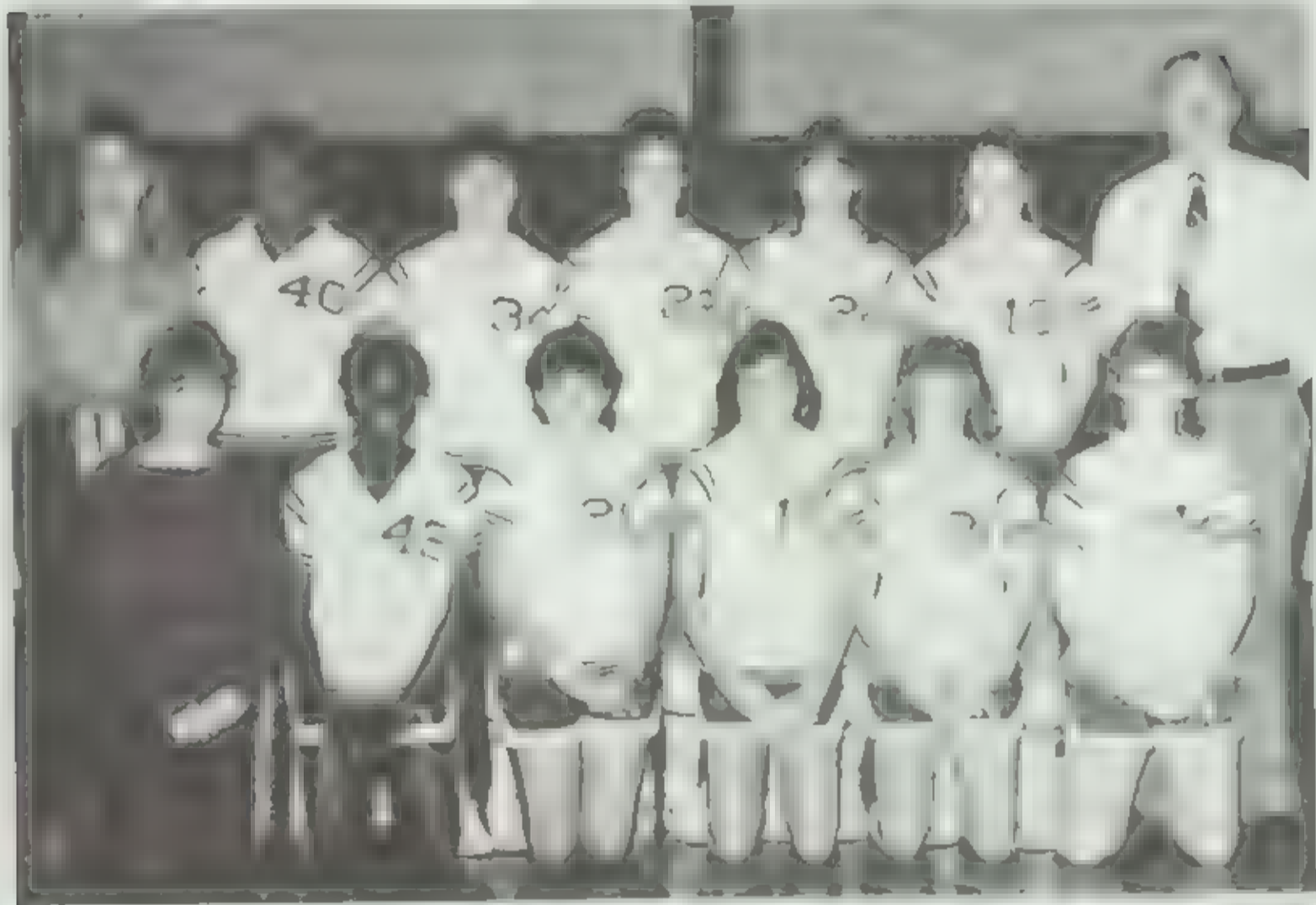
The boys basketball team was the first ever to make the Longhorn League, finishing with a record of 12 wins and 5 losses, finishing second in district and advancing to Bi-District in the state play-offs.

The Longhorns had 4 players make the all-district team. Keith Dancer and Brian Hand made the first team, Danny Hawthorne made the second team and William Harrison made Honorable Mention.

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# Girls Varsity Basketball

Top row Brenda Blanks, mgr, Virginia Hawthorne, Rhonda Renfro, Tracey Thun, Tami Pechacek, Jill Schulte, Coach Bill Crockett. Bottom row Ton Cremonese, mgr, Regina Danciger, Rita Kuehl, Ronette Niswanger, Missy Steinke, and Missy Lyon



Tami Pechacek



Ronette Niswanger



Missy Steinke

This year was a real challenge. As our we have a few new players, very different people working together we learned a lot about each other. As the season went on we grew closer and got the best of what we had. We were very strict with the rules, correct and we were sure to get it. As seniors it is a joy to see our juniors grow as we are old. As Juniors, we hope to improve greatly as our Senior year approaches.

Lady Longhorns



Rhonda Renfro



Tracey Thun



Rita Kuehl



Jill Schulte

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Missy Lyon



Left) Regina Dancer

right) Virginia Hawthorne



# JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

TOP ROW Bruce Beets  
Darin Dietiker, Rusty  
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thorne, Sloan Kuehl  
Roger Webb, BOTTOM  
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## J.V. BASKETBALL

The Junior Varsity Bas-  
ketball Team was made  
up of underclassmen. All  
of the members worked  
hard on developing the  
skills which they will need  
to compete successfully  
on the varsity level. The  
Junior Varsity compiled a  
record of 9-4. It is the ex-  
perience that athletes gain  
on this level of play which  
has enabled us to have  
such a great tradition here  
at AHS.

Top row: Mgr. Donna  
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Chelle Moon, Belinda  
Luecke, Terri Krawczyk,  
Sheila Neil, Mgr. Shan-  
non Vicha. Bottom row  
Krystal Linton, Krysta  
Stanford, Coach Bill  
Crockett, Shannon  
McKee, Kim Evans

The J.V. Girls Basketbal  
team improved each and  
every game. We made  
mistakes, as all teams do  
but we learned from mis-  
takes. Freshmen were the  
majority of the team, with  
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were a pleasure to work  
with. W. K. Crockett



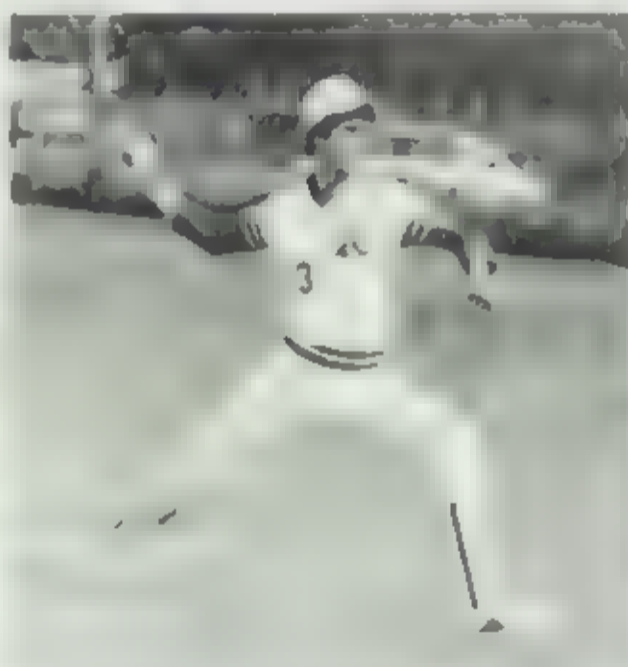
# BASEBALL

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Cody Wells,  
Brian Hand,  
Rusty Cates,  
Scooter Bays  
Coach Monsey

The Longhorn Baseball Team had a successful season. While challenging for the District Title, the younger players were able to get the experience that will help them in coming seasons. With only one senior on the team, the outlook is very promising for the coming year.



# Girls Varsity Track

Top row: Christi Craddock,  
Virginia Hawthorne, Krystal  
Stanford, Regina Dancer  
Bottom row: Joe Wyatt,  
Coach; Kim Evans, Tracey  
Thun, Ronette Niswanger,  
Brenda Banks



## TRACK MEETS

McGregor  
La Vega  
Rogers  
Bruceville-Eddy  
District

The Lady Longhorns had a good track season and we are looking forward to a better Track season next year. We only had one senior so we should improve. The girls really worked hard in practice and all of them dropped their times in running events throughout the track season. Our shot and discus girls also improved in their throws.

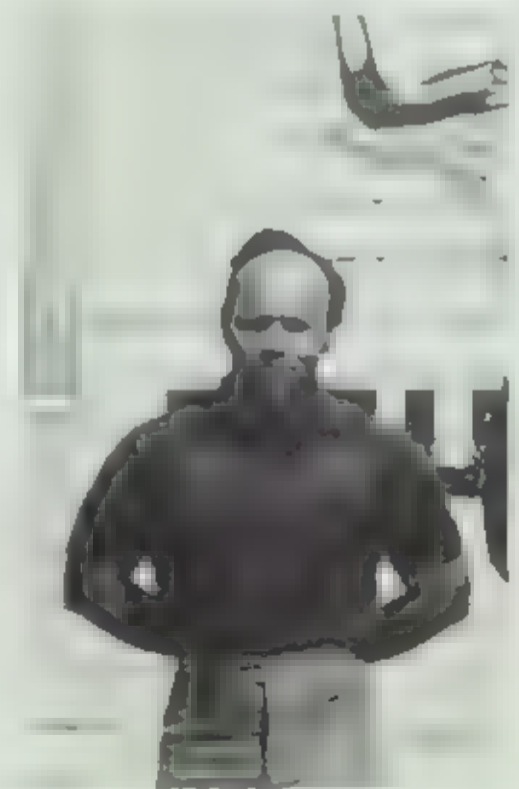
Our girls had a great attitude which made working with them a pleasure.

With more girls coming in from Junior High we should have more girls out and to win track you must have numbers.

Here's looking forward to next year!



Girls Track Coach Wyatt



Boys Track Coach Balli

# Boys Varsity Track



Top row: Cody Wells, Tim Riehl, Darin Dietiker, Keith Dancer, Danny Hawthorne, Brian Hand. Bottom row: Sloan Kuehl, Bruce Beets, Chris Cornett, William Harrison, Brad Thompson



Regional Qualifiers; Top: Chris Cornett, Brian Hand, Brad Thompson, William Harrison, Danny Hawthorne, Keith Dancer. State Qualifiers, Bottom: Danny Hawthorne, Keith Dancer.

The 1985 track season was a successful one. The team was composed of eleven tracksters: Keith Dancer, William Harrison, Danny Hawthorne, Bruce Beets, Chris Cornett, Brian Hand, Darin Dietiker, Brad Thompson, Tim Riehl, Cody Wells, and Sloan Kuehl.

The team entered in five invitational meets, as well as the District Meet, Regional Qualifiers, the Regional Meet, and the State Meet. The team never finished in less than fifth place, with the exception of the State Meet.

The District Meet was held at Rogers. The team scored 114 points to come in third place. Five tracksters qualified for the Regional Meet, each placing first or second in his event. From the five qualifiers, the team had nine entries at the Regional Meet, more than any other team in our District.

The results of the District Meet are as follows: Keith Dancer—first in the 100-meter and 200-meter dashes; William Harrison—first in the 400-meter Hurdles; Danny Hawthorne—first in the Shotput and Discus. The four hundred meter relay team, composed of Brad Thompson, Brian Hand, William Harrison, and Keith Dancer, placed second. Chris Cornett went as the alternate. The mile relay team, composed of Sloan Kuehl, Cody Wells, Bruce Beets, and Darin Dietiker, placed fifth. Others receiving points were: Bruce Beets in the one and two mile runs; Sloan Kuehl placed fourth in the 800 meter dash, and Brian Hand placed fifth in the Discus.

The results at the Regional Meet at Victoria were: Danny Hawthorne—first in the Discus and second in the Shotput; Keith Dancer—second in the 100-meter and 200-meter dashes; Brad Thompson, fifth in both the shot and discus. The 400-meter relay team placed sixth.

Others making the finals at regionals were: William Harrison in the 400-meter Intermediate hurdles and Brian Hand in the 400-meter dash. Chris Cornett was the alternate for the 400-meter relay. The team scored 33 points placing fifth at the Regional track meet.

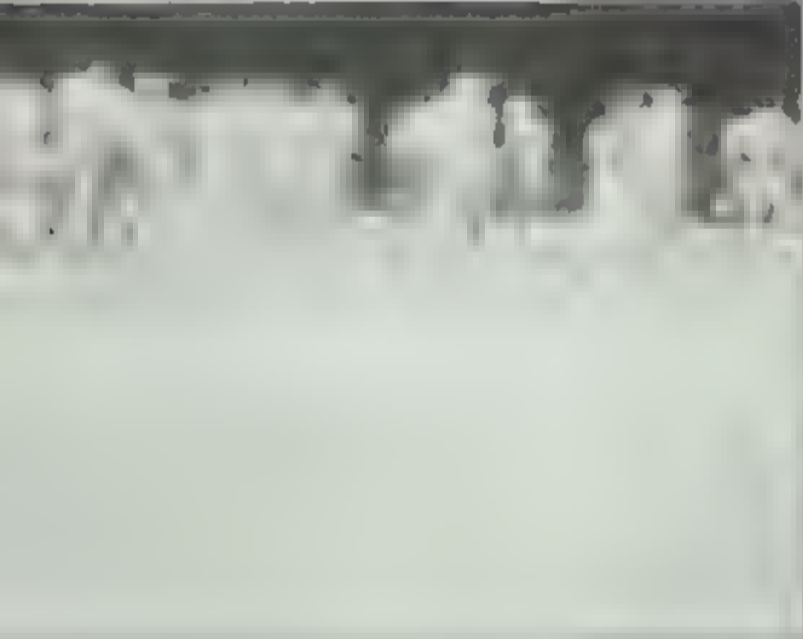
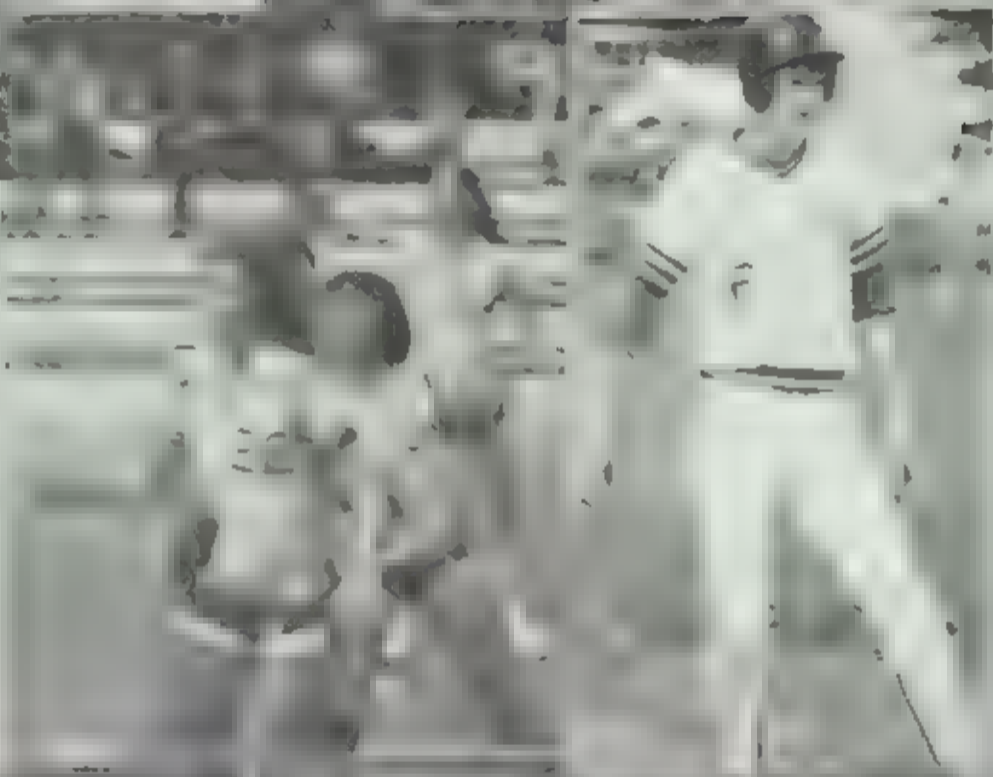
Winning and qualifying for the State Meet is a great accomplishment. The eight best teams in the State compete from each conference. Danny Hawthorne placed fifth in the discus and Keith Dancer placed eighth in both the 100 and 200-meter dash at the State Meet.

Brian Hand set a new school record in the 400-meter dash with a time of 51.0 seconds, breaking the old time of 51.7 seconds.

William Harrison also set a new school record in the 400 Intermediate hurdles with a time of 39.9 seconds, breaking the old time of 40.2 seconds.

Keith Dancer tied the school record in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.8 seconds.





## Common sense in schools

WASHINGTON — It caused conniption fits among the Chicken Little types, among them Justice John Paul Stevens, but the Supreme Court's decision last week in the matter of student searches produced an eminently sensible decision.

This was the substance: In public schools (private schools are not affected), school authorities may search a pupil's person when there are reasonable grounds for suspicion. A search will turn up the pupil is in violation of law or school rules. The

the student's case at the time of the girl's purse.

These were the facts: A 14-year-old girl, a 14-year-old freshman, was caught two girls in a lavatory. She told the office of Assistant Principal Theodore Choplick. She confessed on the spot, but the girl, a 14-year-old freshman, testified only as "T.L.O.," that she never smoked at a

Choplick asked for the girl's purse, opened it, and at once found a pack of Marlboros. He took out the pack and held it before the girl as he accused her of lying. Then he noticed a package of cigarette rolling papers. On fur-

JAMES J. KILPATRICK

and to observe the constitutional prohibition on unreasonable searches.

The court split 6-3 on the issue of "probable cause." Justices Brennan and White adhered to a strict rule. The six others, including Justice Byron White, argued that in the peculiar case of a public school, the search must be justified if educational purposes are served and if there is a lesser suspicion.

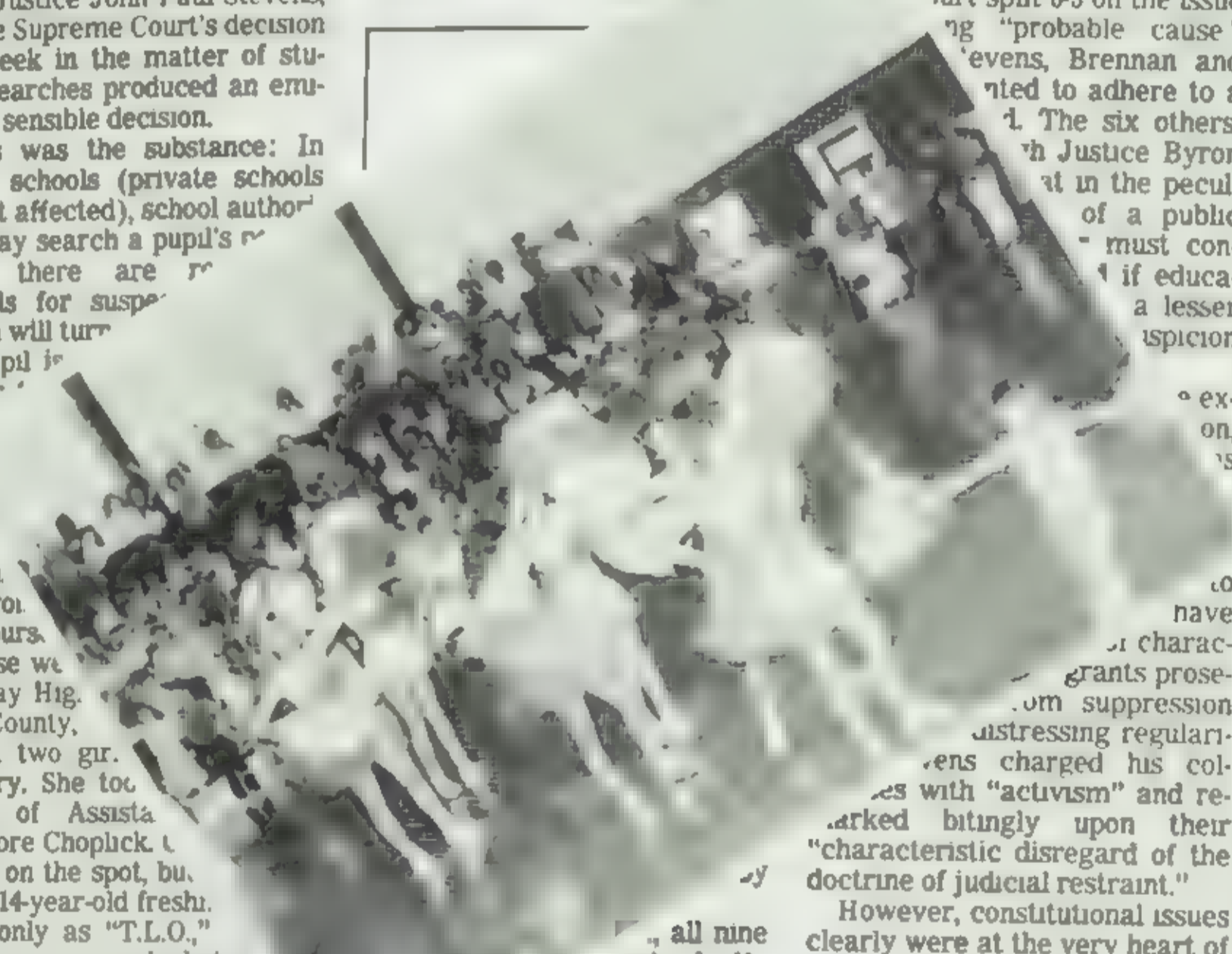
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characteristics of the grants prosecute suppression of distressing regularity. Stevens charged his colleagues with "activism" and remarked bitingly upon their "characteristic disregard of the doctrine of judicial restraint."

However, constitutional issues clearly were at the very heart of this case; they were serious issues and they deserved to be treated in the whole and not in little pieces. White's opinion for the majority was a far better piece of work than Stevens' dissent.

all nine school officials, as distinguished from private school authorities, are state officers within the meaning of the 14th







FHA Sponsor Barbara Pak



FHA Baus Russell McMahon and Darin Detker







Top: Burl Hays, Secretary, Brian Hand Sentinel; Chris Cornett, Student Advisor Tim Pechacek, President  
Bottom: Larry Adams, Vice-President, Brenda Blanks, Sweetheart; Cody Wells, Treasurer

The primary aim of the Future Farmers of America is the development of agricultural leadership and cooperation. The Axtell FFA has had an outstanding year and would like to take this opportunity to thank the faculty, administration, and the FFA supporters in the community for their help.

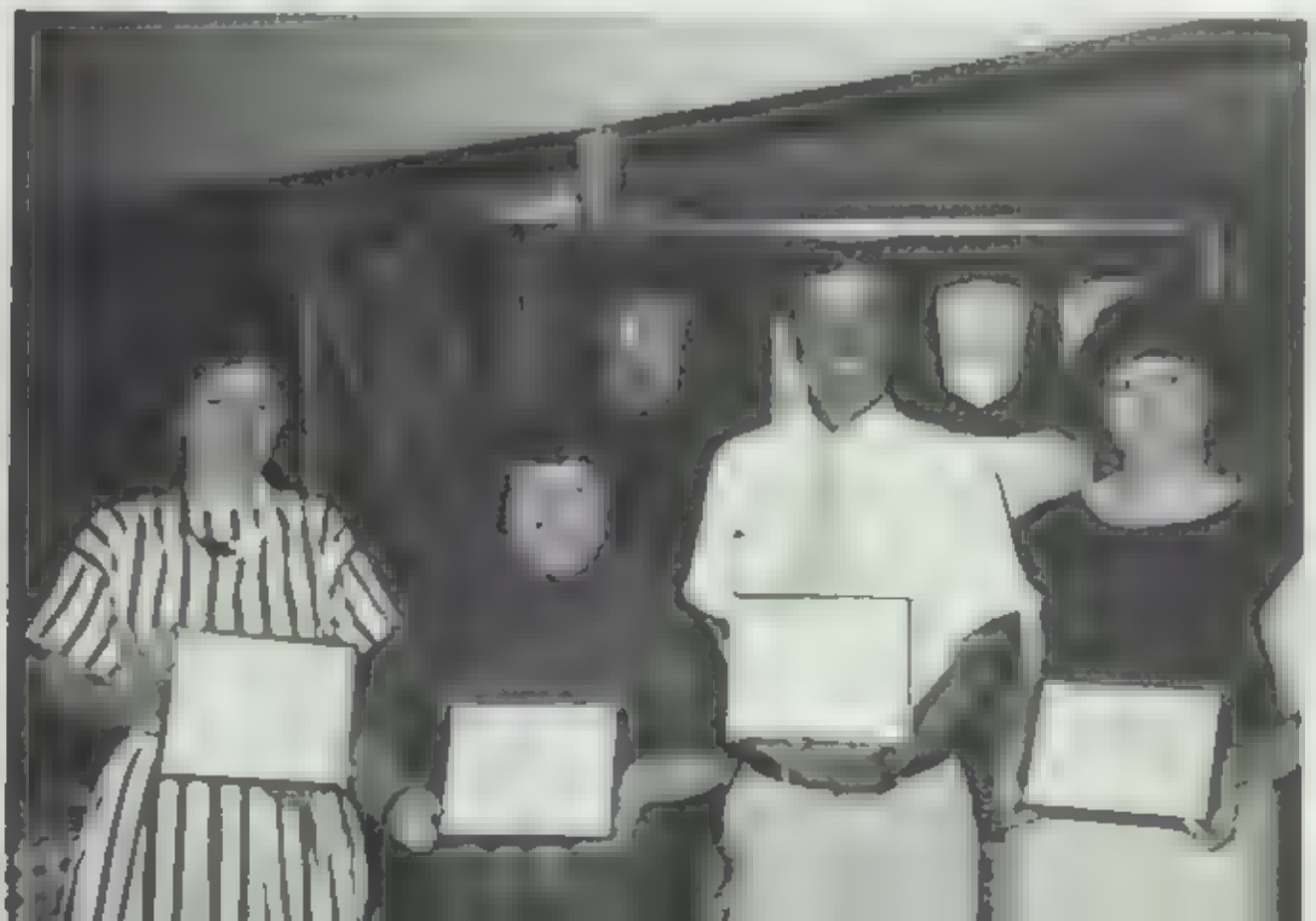
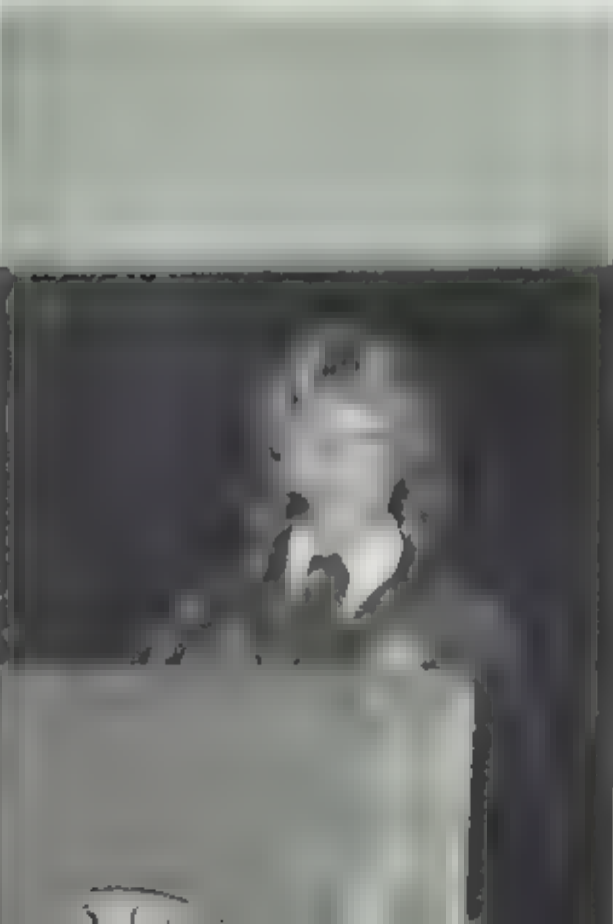
Activities began, the chapter was actively involved with the Heart of Texas Fair, exhibiting ten shop projects and seven head of livestock. Twenty-three students participated in the Waco District leadership contest. Regina Roberts placed second in extemporaneous speaking. The chapter participated at the area level. The chapter was involved in the school carnival, a parade, and FFA-FFA awards banquet.



Nineteen students were actively involved in the judging contests during the spring of the year. The poultry team placed first in district and area. The farm business management team placed third in district and area, and fourteenth in the state. The farm mechanics team placed first in area. The chapter was active in the Waco District and Area FFA activities.

Larry Adams, newly elected 1st Vice-President of Area VIII, and Darin Detker, newly elected Waco District President, will be serving their fellow FFA members during the 1985-86 school year.

The Axtell FFA Chapter hopes that we can continue to grow and serve our community through active involvement and living to serve.



# Student Council



Back row: M. Crow, G. Linton, S. Huber, B. Hays, C. Wells, B. Heets, S. Wilson, W. Bree, J. P. Sutherland, Rachel Moravetz. Front row: Mrs. Wilson, Laura Gartin, Chris Cornett, Jill Holland, Darin Deitker, Bruce Beets, Cody Wells, Burl Hays, Krystal Linton, Rita Kuehl, Top row: Connie Gartin, Melissa Huber, Rhonda Reiman, Wendy Bree and

## Beta Club

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# U.I.L. Participants



Bottom row Mrs Hambrick, Krystal Linton, Gay Cremonese, Toni Cremonese, Darin Dietiker, Rita Kuehl, Second row Bruce Beets, Chris Cornett, Sloan Kuehl, Crist Craddock, Top row Burl Hays, Rhonda Reiman, Jill Howard



ON MAY 11, 1991, BOTTOM ROW—CRAIG K. ELLIS, Rhonda Reiman, Wendy Breeland, Top row—Tim Pechacek, Darin Dietiker, Burl Hays



REGIONAL QUALIFIERS BOTTOM ROW—KIM L. ANN, Ann Wilson, Top row—Larry Adams



Left: Elementary U.I.L.

Right: Junior High U.I.L.





# Freshmen

'An awesome responsibility — but it is ours'

## Music at home with education

By NELSON PATRICK  
Music Consultant

I stand between the past and the future, the past is with me and the future is with you, but we are inextricably bound together, mutually dependent period in time until we can shed the bonds and move toward the future

The past we know in part its issues and their ramifications for the future we do not know largely dependent

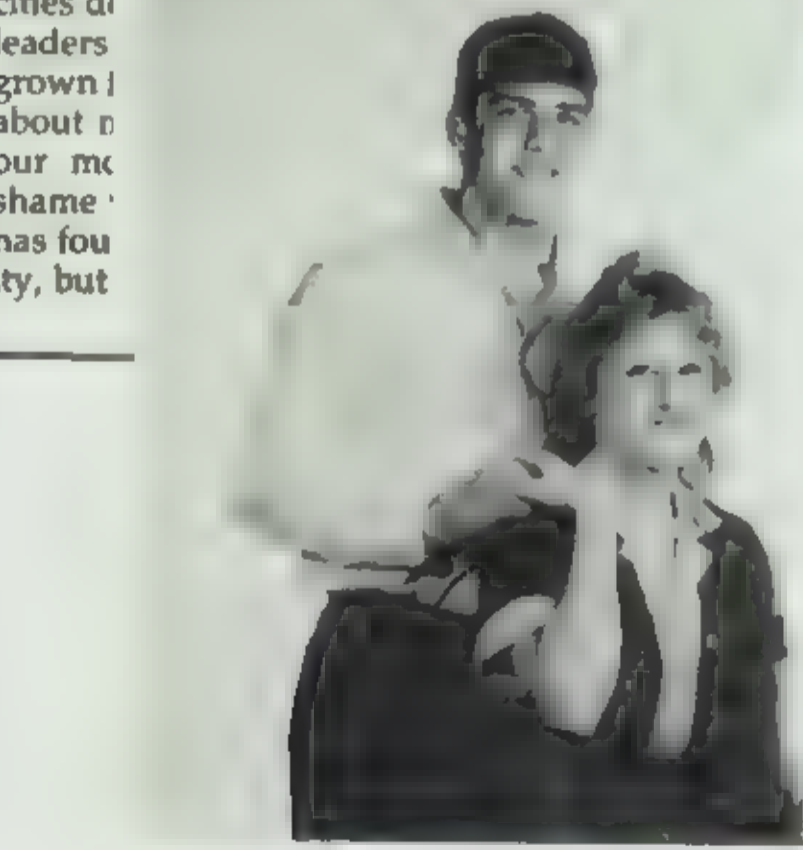
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satisfaction in many accomplishments, as we might not have advanced as far. Have we in Texas produced our own, professional composers, performers? What have we left behind musically? What have we made our music of such that the future have a permanent place

re our ways are not clearly defined. Our music contest through which we won one legislative battle but we could lose again in the future. Many innovative concepts, vie for forward scrutinizing the needs and social needs. We have something more

to what its place in the present, we follow the 20th century European music of today, or will all exist? How long will music? How long will music through education?

we, the teachers, have on resolution. If history has any merit be assured we always have music, and, if we have music, we necessarily must have a means of transmitting that music to the young of the society, but will it be in education or some other institution.

As music has moved through our social milieu it has left behind a cultural residue that represents our heritage to the environment. It is upon this evergrowing residue that we might build our future. May it be more encompassing than the past

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Regina Dancer—Secretary  
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Denise Bramlett  
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Cristi Craddock  
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Stacy Daniels  
Connie Gartman  
Sheila Griffin  
Terri Krawczyk



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Paul Lyon





Sherri Magalassi  
Chelle Moon  
Sheila Neill  
Donna Ratliff



Sherri Riley  
Gwen Rvals  
Tommy Spencer  
Krystal Stanford



Troy Don Swaner  
Shannon Vicha  
Roger Webb  
Shane White



Anne Wilson  
Not pictured  
David Ross





## Educational reform concerns board member

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magic about a 70 itself. The important factor is that the expectation is higher than before, that we want our kids to learn more.

**Q. Do you defend the one-time competency test for veteran teachers?**

A. Yes.

**Q. Do you think the teachers in Texas are not competent?**

A. I think many teachers in Texas are superb. I think many teachers in Texas are not as good as they should be. We have about two kinds of tests: one, a test to assure literacy skills and, two, a test in the matter that teacher tests. You could see the mail that I got from teachers replete with serious grammatical mistakes. Any one of which should flunk a college freshman in English. You would know that we need assurance that all teachers are well versed in the basic skills.

meditation in the schools?

A. Students can always have voluntary meditation, voluntary prayer. I think it's preposterous for us to attempt to legislate prayer.

**Q. Some people have said we should get back to "old-fashioned" education and not burden students with preparation for the future. Do you agree?**

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previous program. So far, his education in the public schools has been a success. He has been a member of the National Honor Society each year.

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Michael Allen  
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Michael Benson  
Kyle Bradford  
Wendy Breeland



Rusty Cates  
Charlene Coble  
Chris Cornett  
Tammy Davis



Darin Dietiker  
Lynn Duncan  
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Derrell Farrar



Curtis Hancock  
Brian Hand  
Ronnie Hawthorne  
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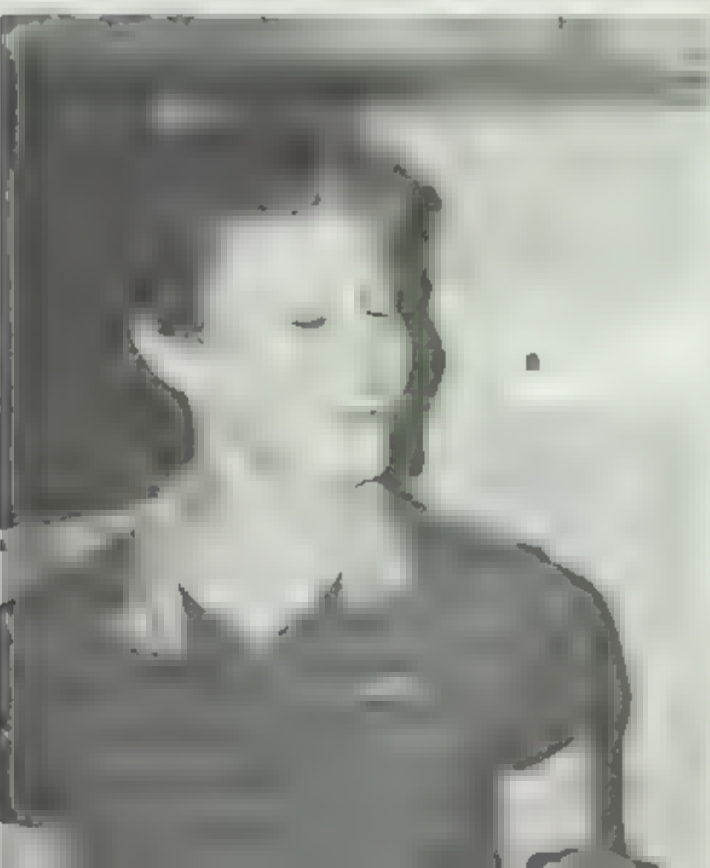
Tim Pechacek  
Ernie Phelps  
Rhonda Reiman  
Tim Rehl



Rose Thomas  
Bradley Thompson  
Trisha Thun  
Shane Toren



Darrin Underwood  
Robbey Walter  
Cody Wells





## Tensions voiced at school; Kudlaty cites list of rumors

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listed rumors that he said are not true:

- The building was surrounded by police.
- Conner was stabbed.
- Two teachers were beaten.
- Five students were slain.
- One student was

head.

- Blood was on walls and floor.

"Every parent cries from their children not a shred of truth in statements," Kudlaty.

"There was not a drop spilled here on Tuesday whole week," Conner told parents. "I'm not going to hear anything from you."

During the meeting Thursday which began at 10 a.m. and ended shortly after noon, several parents

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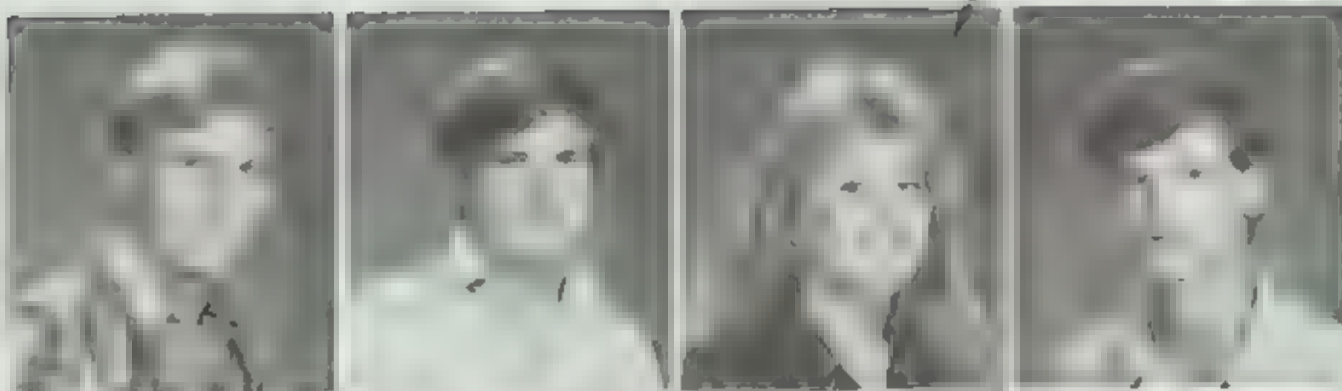
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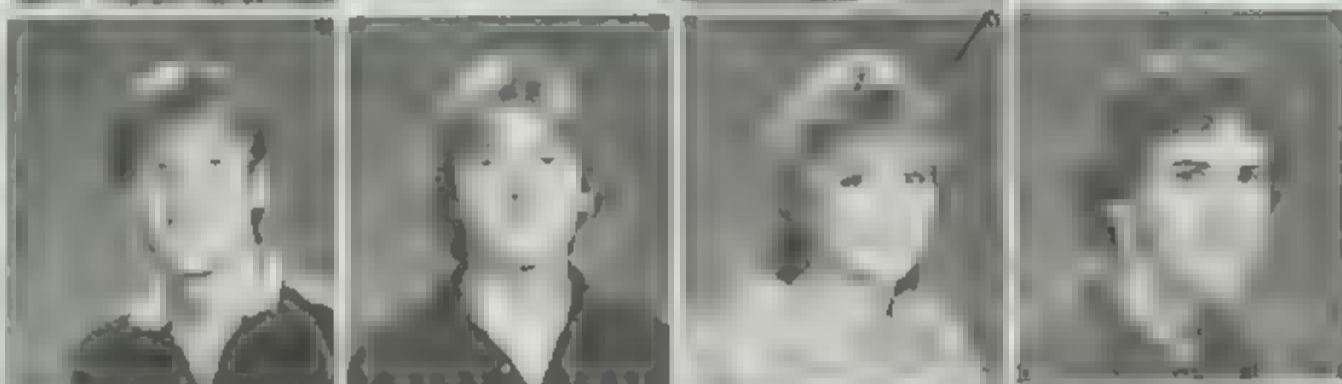
Favorites: Tom Brannon and Rita Kuehl



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Steven Childress  
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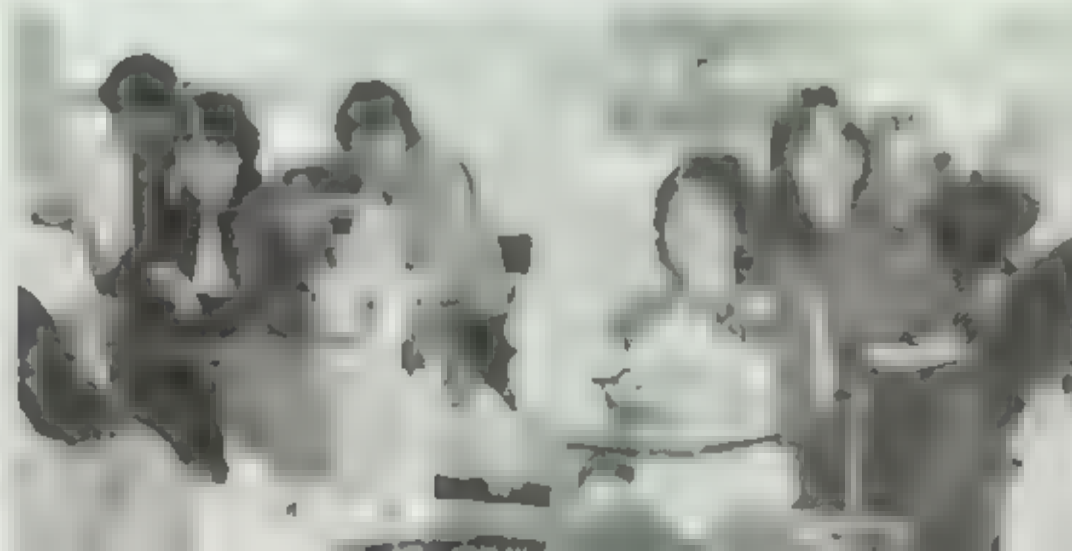
Melvin Frost  
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Melissa Huber  
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Rita Kuehl  
Krystal Linton  
Missy Lyon



Dennis Martin  
David Moffett  
Michelle Mullins  
Rhonda Renfro



Jill Schulte  
Troy Snyder  
Missy Steinke  
Tommie Stranacher



Curtis Tatum  
Anna Thun  
Tracey Thun  
Debbie Wood

Not Pictured  
Ronald Spattman





## A year of exciting challenges

Both scientific research and general observation have indicated that people are happiest when things are relatively stable. Not surprisingly, change makes people anxious.

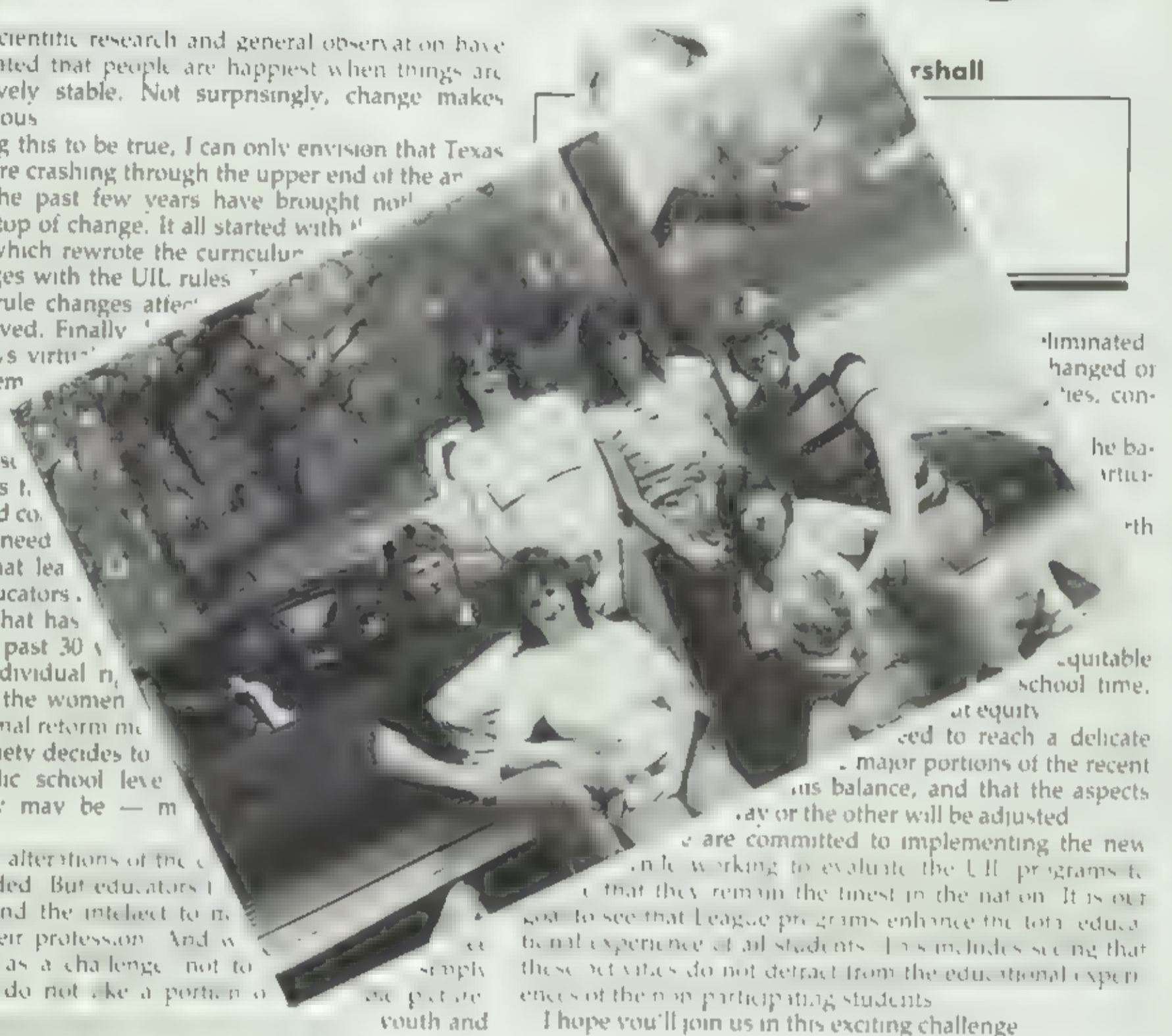
Assuming this to be true, I can only envision that Texas educators are crashing through the upper end of the anxiety scale. The past few years have brought not change on top of change. It all started with H.B. 246, which rewrote the curriculum. Then came changes with the UIL rules. Education rule changes after they were approved. Finally, various ways virtually every school system and so on. The scope of the

There's also the superintendent accounts to the directors and committees.

We don't need more change and that leaves us to survive. Educators are facing a total change that has lasted. In the past 30 years, from the individual to the integration, the women's movement, the educational reform movement.

When society decides to change at the public school level, though they may be stronger.

No doubt, alterations of the curriculum may be needed. But educators have the dedication and the intellect to meet the challenges of their profession. And we view the reforms as a challenge, not to be because we do not like a portion of 'Today'.



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tional experience of all students. This includes seeing that

these activities do not detract from the educational experi-

ences of the non-participating students.

I hope you'll join us in this exciting challenge.



### Senior Officers

President: Ronette Niswanger

V. President: Tami Pechacek

Secretary: Guy Cremonese

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### Student Council Representatives

Laura Gartman

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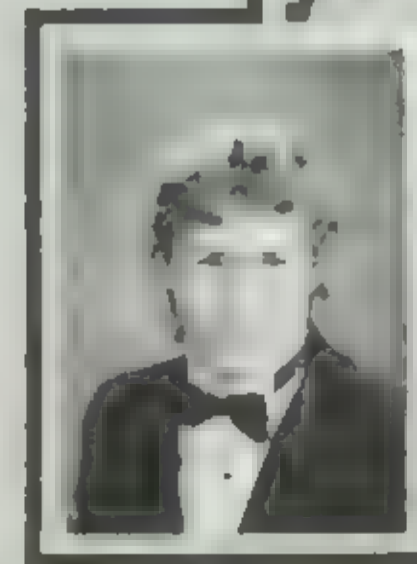


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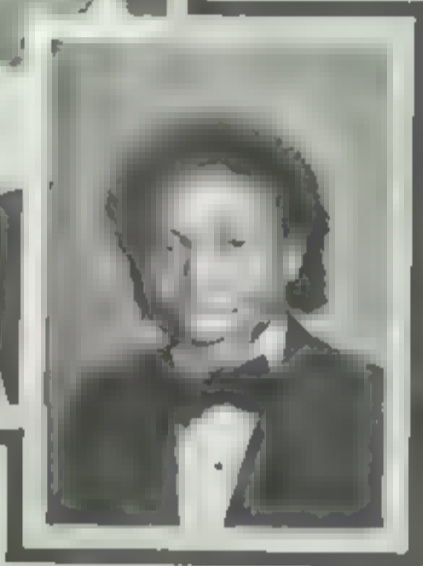
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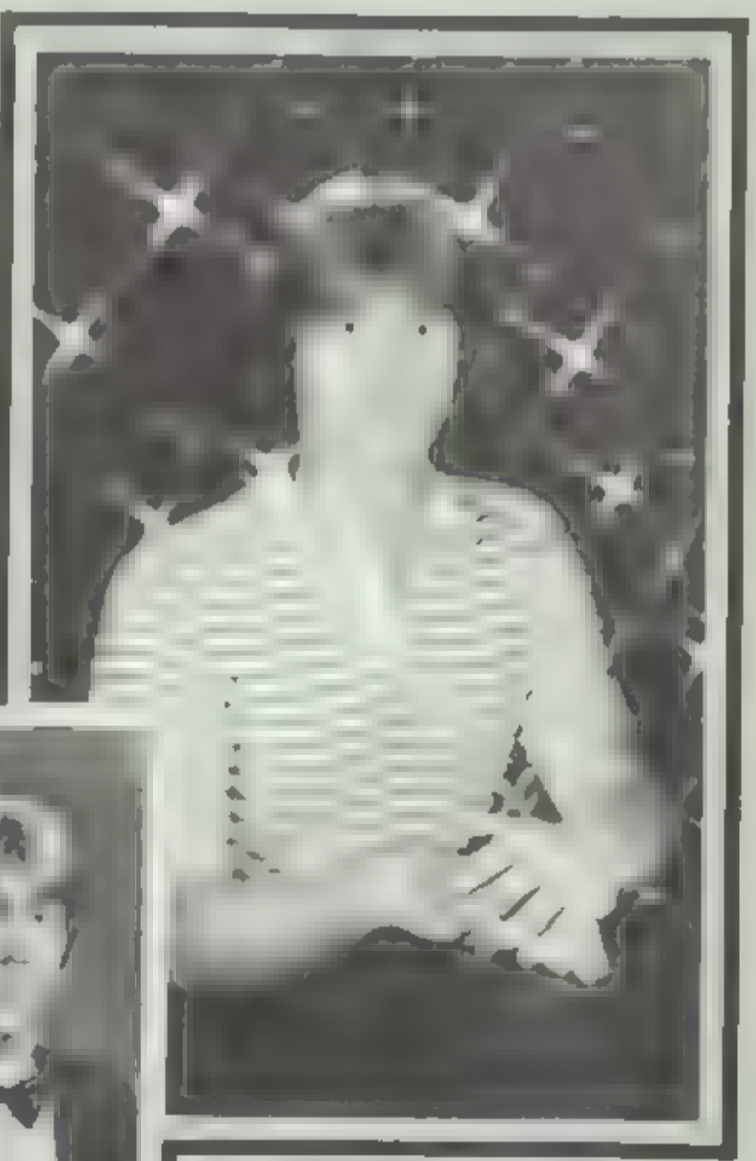


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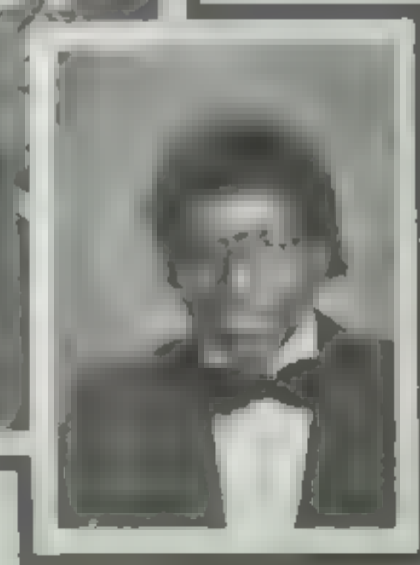
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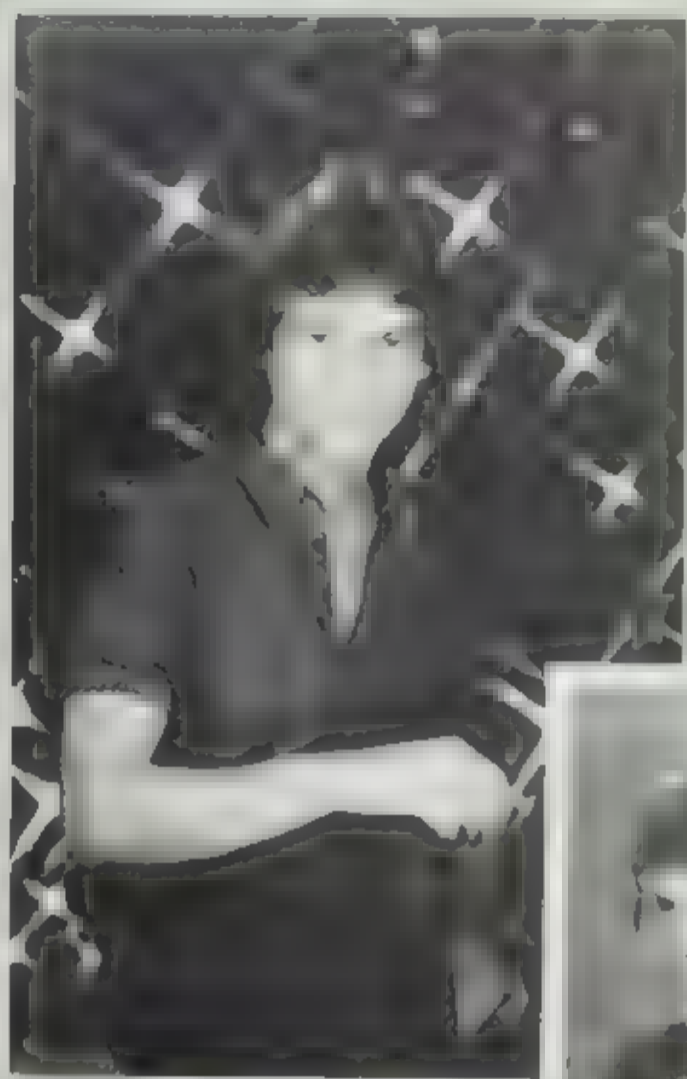


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Ross W. M. M.



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## Seniors 85



Mark H. M. M.



K. J. M. M.



Rosemary



Lois Lee  
Leaves

## Seniors 85



Kathleen  
Rivers



Catherine  
Singer



Cynthia  
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## *Seniors 85*



# Senior Credits

BOBBY RAY BAKER: J.V. Football—1,2; V. Football—3,4, Captain—4; Track—1,2,3; FFA—1,2,3,4; Star Greenhand—1; Chapter Farmer—2; Lone Star Farmer Degree—3; Jr. Play; FTA—4.

SHERRI LYNNETTE BENNETT: FHA—1,2,3,4; Secretary—4; J.V. Cheerleader—1; Varsity Cheerleader—4; Pep Club—3; Soph. V. President; Student Council—1,3; Annual Staff—3,4; UIL Typing—3; Jr. Play; Honor Roll—3,4; Who's Who—4.

JIMMY LYNN CHILDRESS: Football—1,2,3,4; 1st Team All-District—4; Track—1,2,4; Baseball—1,3; FHA—4.

GLY VINCENT CREMONESE: Band—1,2,3; Football—1,2,3,4; Captain—4; Track—2,3; Baseball—3,4; Student Council Representative—2,3; Student Council President—4; Senior Class Secretary; UIL Spelling—2; UIL Number Sense—2,3,4; UIL Calculator Applications—2,3,4.

KEITH DALE DANCER: Football—1,2,3,4; Captain—4; Honorable Mention Quarterback—2,3; 1st Team All-District; Super Cen-Tex RB—4; Basketball—1,2,4; 1st Team All-District—1,2,4; Track—1,2,4; All-District, Regional and State Qualifier—4; FTA—4; FHA—4.

LAURA LEA GARTMAN: Band—1,2,3,4; Twirler—1,3; Drum Major—2; FHA—1,2,3,4; Beta Club—1,2,3,4; President—4; Annual Staff—2,3,4; Class Treasurer—2,3; Student Council Representative—4; UIL Spelling—2,3; Calculator Applications—2; Who's Who—3; Society for Distinguished American High School Students—3; J.V. Cheerleader—2; Honor Roll—1,2,3,4; Jr. Play; Salutatorian.

DAWN RENE GLIDLWELL: FHA—1,2,3,4; V. President—4; Most Improved Freshman; Pep Club—1,3; Honor Roll—3; UIL Poetry—1; FTA—4; Wittiest.

MICHAEL EDWARD HANCOCK: Band—1,2,3,4; Drum Major—4; Basketball—3,4; Beta Club—3,4; Honor Roll—2,3,4; Student Council Representative—1,1.

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON: Foot-

ball—1,2,3,4; Captain—4; 2nd Team All-District—2; 2nd Team All-District Fullback—4; 2nd Team All-District Cornerback—4; Basketball—2,3,4; Honorable Mention All-District—4; Track—1,2,3,4; Regional Qualifier—4; All-District—4; F.F.A.—1,2,3,4; FHA—4; FTA—4.

DANNY RAY HAWTHORNE: Football—1,2,3,4; 1st Team All-District—3; Defensive Player of the Year—3; 2nd Team All-District—4; All-District Kicker—4; Basketball—1,2,3,4; Honorable Mention—3; Most Improved—3; 2nd Team All-District—4; Most Dedicated—4; Captain—4; Track—1,2,3,4; Newcomer of the Year—1; State Qualifier—2,3,4; Regional Qualifier—1,2,3,4; FFA—1,2,3,4; FHA—4; Individual Improvement Award—4; Jr. Play.

RODRICK KEITH HAWTHORNE: J.V. Football—1; V. Football—2,3,4; Captain—4; All-District Defensive Player—4; J.V. Track—1,2; Varsity Track—3; FFA—1,2,3,4; FTA—4.

RUSSELL WILLIAM MCMAHON: FFA—1,2,3,4; Greenhand Conducting Team—1; FHA Beau—4; Jr. Class Secretary; Jr. Play; Class Favorite—1,4; Tennis—3; Mr. Senior.

MICHELLE LEIGH MARKUM: FHA—1,2,3,4; Historian—4; FTA—4; Annual Staff—3,4; Jr. Play; UIL Ready Writing—1,2,3; Class Officer—2,3; President—2; Secretary—3; Beta Club—1,2; Pep Club—1,3; Student Council Representative—1.

MARK HAINES NECESSARY: Football—1,2,3,4; Captain—4; Honorable Mention—3; Basketball—1,2; All-Tournament—2; Track—1,2; Honor Roll—1,2; FFA—1,2,3,4; Greenhand Chapter Con-

RONETTE DENAY NISWANGER: Basketball—1,2,3,4; Track—1,2,3,4; Honorable Mention—3,4; Most Improved—3; Most Outstanding Sprinter—2,3; Most Valuable Sprinter—3; J.V. Cheerleader—1,2; Varsity Cheerleader—3,4; FFA Sweetheart—2; Homecoming Queen—4; Class President—4; Vice President—3; Student

Council Representative—3; FHA—1,2,3,4; 4th Vice President—3; Parliamentarian—4; Homemaker of the Year—1; Most Athletic—4; Most Likely To Succeed—4; Friendliest—4; Miss Senior—4; Best All Around—4; FTA—4; Jr. Play; Annual Staff—2; Honor Roll—3,4.

RICHARD ALLEN PAVELKA, Jr.: Band—1,2; FFA—1,2,3,4; Track—1; FTA—4.

TAMI LYNN PECHACEK: J.V. Basketball—1; V. Basketball—2,3,4; Co-Captain—4; Track—3; Heart Award—3; J.V. Cheerleader—2; Class President—1,3; Vice President—4; FHA—3,4; 4th Vice President—4; Junior of the Year; Outstanding Homemaker of the Year—4; Beta Club—1,2,3; President—3; Annual Staff—2,3,4; Honor Roll; U.S. Achievement Academy—1,2; Who's Who Among American High School Students, Jr. Play; FTA—4; DAR Best Citizen—4; Most Likely To Succeed—4; Valedictorian.

REGINA LYNN ROBERTS: Band—1,2,3,4; Flag Corps—1,2,3,4; Captain—4; Band Sweetheart—3; FHA—1,2,3,4; Sophomore of the Year; Parliamentarian—3; President—4; Most Improved—3; FFA—3,4; Proficiency Award—4; Extemporaneous Speaking—4; Honor Roll of FFA—4; Chapter Farmer—4; Jr. Play; UIL Informative Speaking—3; FTA—4; Annual Staff—2,3; Honor Roll.

CHESTER LYNDELL SINGLETON: FFA—1,2,3,4; FTA—4.

CYNTHIA JEAN TINDELL: Band—1,2,3,4; Treasurer—4; Band Sweetheart—3; Flag Corps—2,3,4; Co-Captain—4; Class Treasurer—2,4; FHA—1,2,3,4; 5th Vice President—4; Jr. Play; Student Council Secretary—4; Wittiest—4; Who's Who Among American High Students—4; UIL Informative Speaking—3.

JAMES STACEY UNDERWOOD: Band—1,2,3,4; Historian—4; Photographer—4; FFA—1,2,3,4; Greenhand Conducting Team—1; Honor Roll—2,3; Who's Who Among American High School Students—1.



# Cozumel

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Liam Peccarelli Valedictorian

## GRADUATION



Luca Cortese Salutatorian

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## 27 scholarships added, TILF

The Texas Interscholastic League Foundation recently announced scholarship opportunities for the school year 1985-86. The TILF has added 27 scholarships in addition to the other 175 scholarships making a total of 202 scholarships to be awarded to graduating seniors in June 1985. The TILF will also renew 125 existing grants for a total of 327 scholarships to be given in 1985-86 with a value of \$380,000.

High school counselors and/or principals should post the brochure on the bulletin board and notify eligible students in the school to apply for the awards.

All who apply for the TILF awards must meet the following requirements: 1) they must have competed in UIL State Meet academic contests, 2) they must submit a complete high school transcript including ACT/SAT scores and rank in class, 3) their complete application must be received in the League office by May 25, 1985, 4) they must graduate during the current year, and 5) they must attend an accredited college or university in Texas.

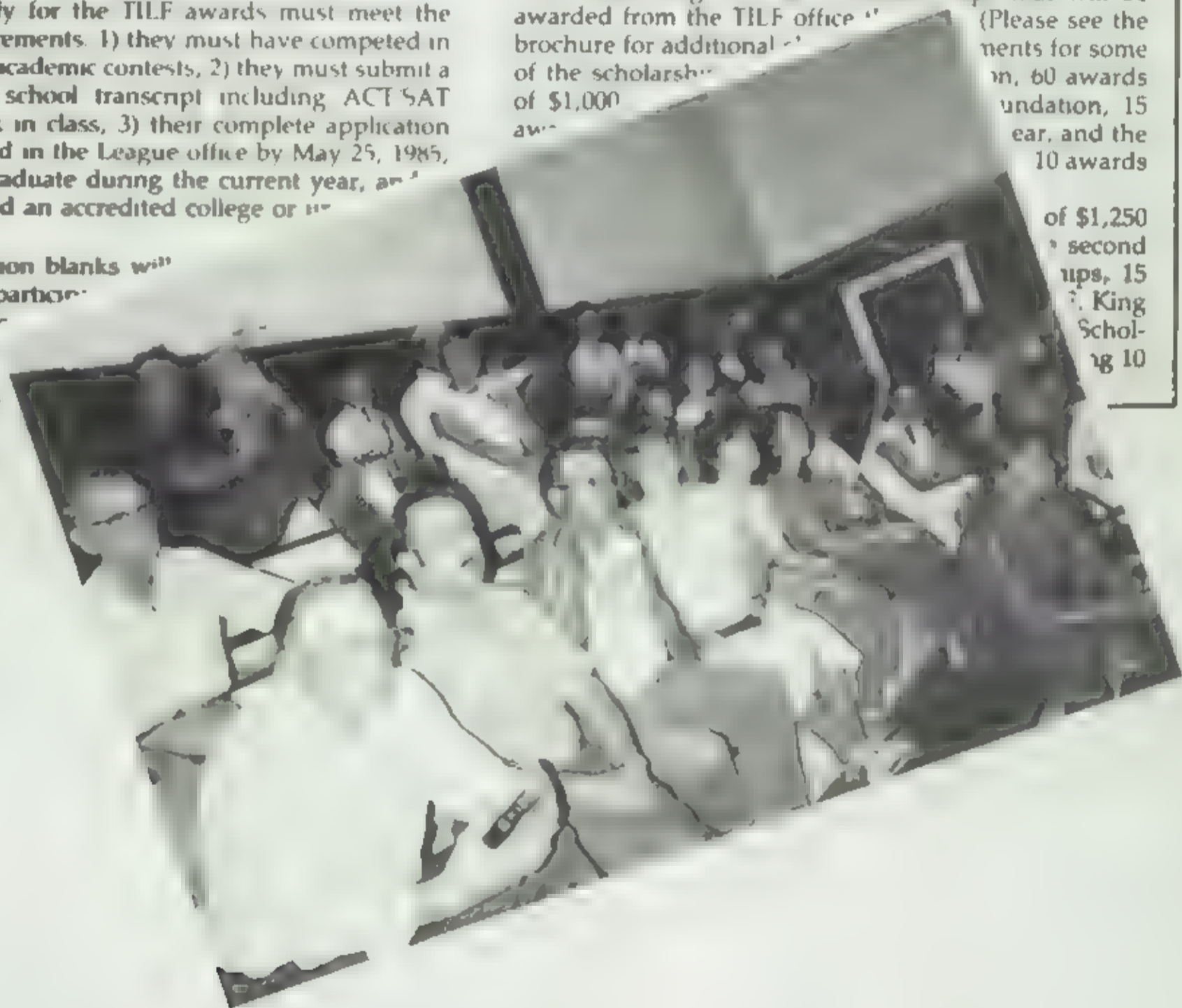
New application blanks will meet academic participation requirements for the TILF, R-78713. Please visit

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addressed stamped envelope with your request.

The following is a list of scholarships that will be awarded from the TILF office: (Please see the brochure for additional information.)

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# *Thank You For Your Support—PTA 1984-85!*

The 1984-85 school year has been a very successful one for Axtell PTA. Money-making projects for the year included the Annual Halloween Carnival and Santa Workshop program. These projects enabled PTA to purchase a food processor for the cafeteria and homemaking department, contribute money to the library fund and award \$800 in local scholarships.

Along with the projects PTA also honored two members with Texas Life Memberships.

Axtell PTA encourages all parents to participate in school projects and activities.

President—Janie Wiley



Virginia Callaway



# *Thank You For Your Support—Ex-Students!*

Ex-Students Homecoming Queen



Ex-Students Officers

The Axtell Ex-Students Association sponsors a dinner for the ex-students every year at the homecoming game. This is a time when everyone reminisces about their high school days and renews friendships. A short business meeting is also held during the dinner. During the meeting officers are elected and an ex-student queen is selected and announced at half time of the football game. The oldest ex-student and the one traveling the greatest distance to attend the dinner are recognized and given free tickets to the game. A reception takes place after the game.

The Ex-Students Association gives away a prize at the Halloween Carnival. The proceeds from this project go into a scholarship fund.

Three scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors in May: the Travis Edison Memorial Scholarship, the Kermit Osborne Memorial Scholarship, and beginning this year, the Craig Yarborough Memorial Scholarship.



# *Thank You For Your Support— Booster Club!*



1984-85 Booster Club Officers  
President: Frances Baker  
Vice President: James McKee  
Secretary: Virginia Briggs  
Treasurer: Doris Cates



The Booster Club is very active during the fall, having meetings each week to view football game videotapes and film. The members work in the concession stands for football and basketball games. The money they earn from their efforts is spent on school projects such as equipment for the athletic department, flags and supplies for the flag corps, equipment for the band, and equipment for the cheerleaders. The big event they sponsor each year is the Spring All Sports Banquet where all of the participants are honored. The support of the Booster Club is important to the school and helps offer more opportunities for the student body.





There would be no Yearbook  
without a working  
Yearbook Staff

Without a Yearbook Class it is very difficult to complete the yearbook and meet deadlines. I want to thank all of you who helped during the 7th period and the seniors who gave their time both during school and after school to complete the yearbook. Laura Gartman took the senior role during the year—and other seniors came to the rescue to complete the book. I want to thank the 7th period staff and the seniors who worked hard to make this a good yearbook.

Dr. Barbara Allen, Yearbook  
Sponsor



Back row: Dawn Glidewell, Mahene Markum and Anna Thun

Front row: Anna Thun, Sherri Bennett and Tami Pechacek

7th Period Yearbook Staff below



There would be no Carnival without the support of our community  
and businesses

Thank you for your participation in helping us have the best 1984  
Carnival possible! The Seniors won again!



King and Queen  
Gina Roberts and Russell M. Mahon  
Seniors



Duke and Duchess  
Sara Wiley and Nathan Tucker  
First Grade



Prince and Princess  
Eric Fisher and Anthony Garcia  
Eighth Grade





*Where We Meet*





*Familiar Scenes*





It is good to do  
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GOOD school!

Good Luck to  
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So Big  
A good friend  
who I love to make  
laugh. I hope those chicks  
don't turn you down to much

Mike Wilson  
#4

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#1

Amth  
Go good friend  
of mine, stay out  
will go far, and you  
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